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This curriculum guide provides an outline of the general boundaries of various courses in secondary school language arts. Sections describe the general scope, points of interest and emphasis, areas for learning experiences, and expected outcomes for course offerings in grades 7-9 and 10-12 (including advanced placement). Behavioral outcomes in listening, speaking and oral interpretation, reading, writing, language, and literature are taken up. In addition to traditional English courses, six speech and two journalism courses are also discussed. A chart providing information on the scope, content, and sequence of the courses (grades 1-12), is keyed to state adopted textbooks. (LH)

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FOREWORD

In order that teachers may know the general boundaries of the various courses in secondary school language arts, and in order that parents and other citizens may secure a general idea of what is being done, this curriculum guide in language arts has been developed. It is not the kind of an aid that teachers will desire to follow slavishly, but sets up tentative limits within which the teacher may work and yet is sufficiently flexible to provide for creativity and ingenuity. New teachers to the school system may find this guide extremely informative; in addition, those teachers who are already in the system should find support and encouragement for the work they are doing.

Because this material has been prepared by teachers, it not only should be helpful to them, but also should give them considerable pride in seeing the results of their work actually in operation in the classroom.

This bulletin represents the present opinion of the people who prepared it. Because the curriculum is a constantly improving program, it is likely that adjustments and possibly changing points of view will be introduced from time to time for future publications.

Superintendent of Schools

May 16, 1967

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS PROGRAM JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Overview

The English Language Arts program in the secondary school offers a variety of opportunities for young people

- to sharpen their communication skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing;
- to discover significant concepts related to the phonology, grammar, lexicon, and social aspects of American English, its roots in the past, its present characteristics, its prospects for change in the future;
- to discover significant differences between the conventions of spoken and written English;
- to understand the complexities of representing speech in writing (spelling and punctuation);
- to gain experience, confidence, and fluency in representing speech in writing for a variety of personal and vocational purposes;
- to learn ways of finding, organizing, and developing ideas in both spoken and written forms;
- to see literature as a reflection of its region and culture, and thus as a way of gaining an intimate knowledge of regions, ways of life and thought, races, countries, and times which are otherwise inaccessible;
- to understand and enjoy literature written especially for young people;
- to understand and enjoy major literary genres;
- to understand and enjoy some of the major works of famous authors of America, England, and other countries;
- to develop criteria for reading choices for information, for vocational purposes, for cultural values, for recreation, for personal enrichment;
- to consider the place of mass media in modern life and to develop criteria for making choices among the mass media for reading, listening, and viewing.

Courses in English, speech, and journalism provide for differences in aptitudes, interests, and experiential development of young people.

Fundamental needs of young people are met by personal guidance in discovering interests and aptitudes, in developing self-reliance and integrity, in establishing cultural standards, in setting up realistic goals for economic success, and in understanding and accepting the responsibilities of citizenship in a democratic society.

Teachers are to present the various units of work in the order in which they are listed. Units may be combined in appropriate ways. The activities of the class consist of thinking, discovering, listening, speaking, reading, writing, viewing, dramatizing, composing, comparing and contrasting, organizing and expressing ideas and feelings in a variety of forms.



COURSE OFFERINGS

Seventh, Eighth, and Ninth Grade English

Scope

The English Language Arts program is planned to relate the discipline of English (language, composition, and literature) to the developmental needs of youth; to the cultural demands of society; and to the responsibilities of citizens toward home, school, and community in a democracy.

The first week of each school year is devoted to an appraisal of learning needs. At that time the student has the opportunity of setting realistic, but challenging, goals for himself, under the guidance of his teacher. The student's progress toward these goals is evaluated periodically throughout the year.

Each student works with his teacher week by week in a basal reading program. This program, which uses fiction, exposition, poetry, and drama, provides instruction in word recognition skills and in comprehension skills related to critical thinking, purpose, efficiency, vocabulary development, and study skills.

Individual and group activities which encourage the development of listening and speaking skills are organized.

Language is observed and described as a code, as a system of signals, and as a social phenomenon. The concept of grammar as the organization of language is developed, with special emphasis on such unique features of English as subject and predicate; form classes; signals of word order, word form, and function words; sentence patterns; and syntax. Other important language concepts which are developed are the concept of usage, the concept of change, differences between the conventions of spoken and written English, and social and regional varieties of American English. The purposes and sources of authority of dictionaries are considered.

Units related to written expression emphasize (1) both the common and the unusual ways in which vowel and consonant phonemes are represented in writing and (2) the relationship between intonation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language. In further punctuation study students discover the relationship between English syntax and punctuation, as well as particular punctuation conventions which are related to neither intonation nor syntax. Study of the conventions of capitalization is continued.

Composition (the organization of and presentation of ideas in sentences and larger units) in a variety of oral and written forms is studied systematically.

In addition to the literature which is a part of the basal reading program, several units of literature are developed: in the seventh grade, units on folklore, fables, legends, and myths, Texas literary leaders, and poetry; in the eighth grade, a unit on the American literary heritage; and in the ninth grade, units on short story, novel, drama, biography, and poetry.

Finally, two units on understanding and evaluating the mass media in the eighth grade and a unit on vocations in the ninth grade are developed.

Expected Outcomes

Through participation in the English Language Arts program of the seventh, eighth, and ninth grades, the student



listening

Recognizes the value of courteous, attentive listening habits

Avoids interruptions and responds courteously to what the speaker has to say Cultivates his enjoyment of the rhythm and flow of speech and of the sounds of words

Becomes increasingly aware of the significance of pitch, stress, and juncture in communication

Sharpens his ability to distinguish vowel and consonant phonemes in the major regional speech areas of the United States

Seeks opportunities to listen to specific forms and patterns of utterances which are currently a part of prestige dialects (in informal and formal situations) and which he would like to add to his own repertory of readily available choices for his personal speech and writing

Gradually extends his attention span

Usually listens purposefully to gain information and insight, to follow directions, to form an opinion, to answer a question, or to answer an argument

Learns to differentiate between the main idea and subordinate ideas or details by noting varying tone qualities

Recognizes organizational elements

Summarizes and concludes after listening

Develops standards for evaluating oral reports, radio and television programs, films, recordings, and other forms of public communication

Develops the habit of realistic self-appraisal in all oral expression

Shows evidence of increased poise in all forms of oral expression

Practices using specific forms and patterns of utterances which are currently a part of prestige dialects (in informal or formal situations) and which he would like to add to his own repertory of readily available choices for his personal speech

Observes good oral techniques before the group: posture, gesture, facial expression, movement, volume, rate, tone quality, distinctness, and audience contact

Increases his precision in choice of words

Shares personal experiences by means of effective speaking

Acquires greater skill in story telling

Becomes interested in reading aloud for the entertainment of the group

Understands the function of phrasing, cadence, and stress in communicating ideas, mood, or tone to an audience

Pauses longer for paragraph indentation than for end-punctuation

Improves personal standards for group and telephone conversations

Participates in dramatics, choral readings, and other creative speech activities

Increases ability to talk from an outline and notes

Recognizes the importance of effective topic and transitional sentences in speeches

Participates in panel discussions on topics chosen by the group

Adopts parliamentary procedure as a meaningful and useful practice

speaking and oral interpretation

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reading word recognition

Conducts meetings and serves as chairman or as master of ceremonies

Consciously makes use of contextual clues when they appear as definitions, appositions, examples, synonyms, summaries, comparisons, and familiar expressions

Expands his expectancy clues by observing all pictorial material and using his total reading and life experiences

Constantly uses the form, or shape, of known words to help him with unfamiliar words

Effectively sounds out unfamiliar words after having first tried contextual and word form clues

Attains the knowledge of a complicated set of phonetic understandings and automatically applies them

Becomes skillful in blending sounds and sound combinations into words

Automatically uses such structural elements as compound words, prefixes, suffixes, and Latin and Greek roots in his word attack procedure after having first tried context and word form clues

Increases his knowledge of the conventions of syllabication and structural understandings as he habitually applies them to more difficult unfamiliar words in reading

Develops a knowledge of patterns of accent and becomes conscious of secondary accent

Begins to recognize the difference between memorizing or verbalizing and grasping concepts

Through consciousness of word connotations, begins to notice how words control the reader's responses

Relates subordinate ideas properly to the main idea

Interprets ideas implied but not directly stated

Learns how paragraph relationship is indicated by transitions

Learns to pause after each paragraph and state its main idea, even though no one sentence in the original may have staged that idea

Learns to write an outline indicating the main divisions of an essay

Learns to recognize the more obvious forms of propaganda

Comes to understand how description and narration are used for expository purposes, and the difference between illustrations used for purposes of explanation and those used to prove or convince

Becomes aware of key words and phrases which signal significant relationships among ideas, such as another fact, an opposite idea, another time, another place, examples, details in time order, cause-effect, and comparison-contrast

Recognizes the author's point of view or purpose and reacts and evaluates accordingly

Identifies, with help, the purpose he should have in mind when reading specific selections

Begins independently to differentiate materials which demand slow reading from those which allow rapid reading and to regulate his rate accordingly

reading comprehension critical thinking

reading comprehension purpose and efficiency reading comprehension vocabulary development

reading comprehension study skills

reading personal values

writing

composition

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Learns to pre-read rapidly for overall pattern and main ideas

Skims for the answer when the answer is not in the words of the question

Skims for reviewing and for browsing

Keeps a list of words whose meanings he has had to look up in a dictionary

Through instruction in words met in context, begins to learn the meaning of a growing list of roots and affixes

Develops a feeling for and some knowledge of etymology

Learns the difference between denotation and connotations of words

Learns to apply in all his study-reading the approach represented by a formula such as SQ3R (survey, question, read in detail, review, and recite) in order to have a step-by-step attack on study reading

Learns to read and follow directions calling for sub-steps in a pattern of three or four steps

Increases proficiency in using the library card catalogue

Learns to use other standard library reference books

Is introduced to Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature

Learns to read complex tables, maps, charts, diagrams, graphs, and statistical illustrations

Uses typographical aids, prefaces, introductions, and other parts of books as aids to study

Uses format and organization of the book in understanding logical development of topics, chronological presentation

Grows in power to evaluate critically

Explores and analyzes vocational opportunities

Grows in self-understanding

Grows in understanding of other people

Broadens personal and cultural interests

Uses reading as an excellent means of personal relaxation and enjoyment

Increases understanding of the relation between intonation, syntax, and punctuation

Learns which conventions of punctuation are related to neither intonation nor syntax

Develops techniques for improving what he writes, proofreads, uses dictionaries and other books for reference, and revises where need is pointed out to him

Increases his ability to control and order his words into sentences to convey increasingly complex thought relationships

Increases his use of vivid, specific, exact words

Uses in his compositions words consciously chosen because of their connotation

Becomes increasingly sensitive to word repetition and habitually avoids it in his composition, though he may begin to use it for purposes of emphasis or transition

Begins to establish in his compositions a close relationship between what he intends to communicate and what he actually communicates



In narrative composition begins to use descriptive or explanatory paragraphs along with purely narrative ones and to include in narrative paragraphs sentences which are descriptive and explanatory

Learns to use a topic sentence in expository paragraphs, to vary its position in the paragraph, and to develop it by several methods

Learns that the first sentence in a paragraph, though perhaps not a topic sentence, raises in the reader's mind questions which it is the job of the paragraph to answer

Begins to differentiate between fact and opinion in his compositions and links these in drawing inferences from facts

Begins to support abstractions with specific details

Begins to plan the organization of a short, whole composition with close attention to order of presentation

Begins to learn that there is a close relationship between subject and organization

Begins to examine subjects to see what kinds of organization they demand

Begins to plan compositions by use of simple outlines and to show the reader his organization through careful transition from paragraph to paragraph

Becomes aware that he must write on the subject and checks his outline to prevent straying

Learns to refrain from using not only the wording of his "reference material" but its organization as well

Begins to compose as "book reports" analyses of some specific aspect of the book rather than the conventional character sketch and summary of the plot

Becomes increasingly conscious of shades of meaning among synonyms and chooses among all words more accurately

Begins to understand the concepts of denotation and connotation

Becomes aware of language as a code, as a social phenomenon, and as a system of signals

Understands that each language has its own code

Learns that language includes phonology, grammar, and lexicon

Understands that grammar signals meaning independently of lexical content

Learns to understand grammar as the devices by which language is organized to communicate meaning

Recognizes that speech carries meaning through stress, pitch, and juncture

Learns that some of the conventions of spoken and written English are different

Increases his ability to differentiate levels of usage, to identify illiteracies, and to identify some usages as inappropriate in standard speech and informal writing

Increases his knowledge of both common and unusual written representations of vowel and consonant phonemes so that this knowledge may be used automatically

Learns to locate and use the special sections of a dictionary appropriate to his level Uses with ease the aids to pronunciation in several dictionaries

language



Uses the dictionary to discriminate among meanings

Increases skill in finding word meanings in more advanced dictionaries

Differentiates between literal and figurative language and responds to figurative language

Recognizes how an author sets tone and mood through word connotations

Begins to realize how an author limits visualization by word connotation even more than through denotation, and begins to visualize according to connotational patterns

Becomes conscious of the uniquely personal nature of his associative response to sensory word stimuli

Begins to realize how large a part sensory impressions play in making reading a true "experience"

Follows with ease a story line through books in which the chronological presentation is broken

Uses his knowledge of character and motivation to predict outcomes

Understands characterization through comments of the author, conversation between characters, and interaction among characters

Begins to see different degrees of character traits and even non-complex admixtures of traits

Is guided increasingly by textual clues, although relying heavily upon his previous experience and reactions and upon the reaction patterns of his peers and of his restricted world in forming his attitudes

Not only understands the morals of stories obviously intended to convey them, but recognizes the main idea of all stories he reads, and begins to generalize himself, in terms of his own experience, about what stories *mean*

Begins to recognize different types of poetry and to adjust both his expectations and reactions accordingly

Increases his experience with listening to and reading poetry (narrative, lyric, and ballad); stories (folk, myth, epics, modern fanciful, realistic, animal, sports, history, and travel); biography (fictionalized or straightforward accounting); essay (factual, informational with example and details, personal, anecdotal in style); novel (character-told, omniscient author); drama (melodrama or surface)

Begins to see literature as a reflection of its region and culture, and thus as a way of gaining an intimate knowledge of regions, ways of life and thought, races, countries, and times which are by other means inaccessible to him

Reads adolescent literature, magazines, and newspapers, showing broadening interests and purposes in his selections

Areas for Learning Experiences

SEVENTH GRADE, FIRST SEMESTER

Appraisal of Learning Needs

Informal "Reading Inventory," in which each student expresses his attitude toward reading and his personal evaluation of his reading skills



literature

Informal problems in listening, speaking, reading, and writing, from which the teacher will analyze each student's strengths and weaknesses

Analysis of specific elements of each student's oral and written usage which differ from varieties of the prestige dialect

Diagnostic spelling test

Cumulative records study by the teacher of the reading achievement scores, the language achievement scores, the mental maturity scores, and other pertinent data of selected students

Basal Reading Program

Each student will work with the teacher week by week during the year in one of the following basal readers:

Discovery Through Reading or New Horizons Through Reading, Book I (for capable readers)

Reading, Book I or Adventure Bound (possible alternates for unusually capable readers)

Reading with Purpose or Adventures for You (for readers who have some disabilities)

Because each basal reader is planned for a sequence in reading skills growth, the student begins with the first lesson in the book and works in sequence to develop the skills which become progressively more complex. Ordinarily, one new basal lesson is introduced each week; however, sometimes a slower rate of introduction of skills is desirable to assure the student's understanding and practice of each skill.

Some Characteristics of Language

(Text material will be the Texas Transparency Development Project Series, English 8, I - 1 through I - 10; III - 1 through III - 14.)

Points of Emphasis

Language as a code

Language as a system of signals

Language as a social phenomenon

The methods of linguistics

Stress, pitch, and juncture

Oral Expression and Composition

(This unit should introduce ideas and skills which will be an integral part of the English Language Arts program for the remainder of the school year. Students should have frequent practice in oral expression and composition.)

Points of Emphasis

Social conventions - conversation, telephoning, and introductions

Discussion — leading assisting others to speak, involving all, resolving conflict, and controlling the "talker"



Oral interpretation — understanding the function of phrasing, cadence, and stress in communicating ideas, mood, or tone to an audience

Telling stories

Choral reading

Dramatization of ballads, stories, and plays

Parliamentary procedure

Preparing and delivering a speech — choosing a subject, gathering material, organizing ideas, outlining, and speaking from an outline

Written Expression

(This unit should introduce ideas and skills which will be an integral part of the English Language Arts program the remainder of the school year. Students should have frequent practice in written expression. Text material will be the Texas Transparency Development Project Series, English 8, II - 1 through II - 5; III - 1 through III - 14.)

Points of Emphasis

Differences between the conventions of spoken and written English

Vowel and consonant phonemes and their representation in writing

The relationship between intonation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language:

end punctuation

appositives

series

yes and no

direct address

Conventions or customs of punctuation in the written language:

date and year

city and state

heading, inside address, salutation, and complimentary close of letters

initials and abbreviations

numerals and letters in a list

possessive form of nouns

plural of numerals, letters, and signs

syllabication

titles of books, magazines, newspapers, articles, short stories, and poems

Conventions or customs of capitalization in the written language:

first word of a sentence

name of a person, a street, a country, a city, a town, a state, a county, a school, a month, a day of the week, a holiday, a language, a building, a document, a group of persons (organizations, political parties, governmental bodies and departments, races, and religious sects)



sacred names

names for the Bible and divisions of the Bible

title used with the name of a person

titles of the highest governmental officials when used without the proper name abbreviations

initials

I and O

adjective derived from a proper name

first and all important words in titles

first word in the salutation and in the complimentary close of a letter

first and all important words in the names of historical events

Grammar, the Organization of Language

(Text material will be the Texas Transparency Development Project Series, English 8, I - 11 through I - 32.)

Points of Emphasis

Subject and predicate

Form classes

Signals of word order, word forms, and function words

Written Composition

(This unit should introduce ideas, skills, and activities which will be an integral part of the English Language Arts program the remainder of the school year. Students should have frequent practice in written composition.)

Points of Emphasis

Answers to questions

Note-taking (including recording interviews, recording discussions, and writing minutes)

Friendly letters

Business letters

Reports

Summaries

Simple bibliographies

Character sketches (delineations of character traits and attention to motivation)

Narration which includes descriptive passages

Carefully organized paragraph of five or six sentences

Topic sentences in expository paragraphs, used in a variety of positions and developed by a variety of methods, with emphasis first on time-order

Announcements

News reports

Verse



Sentence Patterns

(Text material will be the Texas Transparency Development Project Series, English 8, I - 33 through I - 46.)

Points of Emphasis

Pattern A:

(D) N V_i (Adv)

Pattern B:

 $(D) N^{1}V_{t} (D) N^{2}$

Pattern C:

(D) $N^{1}V_{1}$ (D) N^{1}

Pattern D:

(D) N V₁ Adj

Pattern E:

 $(D) N V_t (D) N (D) N$

Be Patterns:

(D) N be Adj

(D) N be (D) N

(D) N be Adv

Adventures Through Folklore, Fables, Legends, and Myths

(Text material will be selected from Prose and Poetry Journeys; New Trails; Wide, Wide World; Adventures for Readers, Book 1; Paths and Pathfinders; Here and Everywhere; Parades; Call to Adventure; Worlds of Adventure; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Acquaintance with a variety of legendary folk characters and wonder workers, such as Paul Bunyan, Pecos Bill, Stormalong, Rip Van Winkle, Ichabod Crane, Febold Feboldson, Joe Magarac, Uncle Remus, Johnny Appleseed, and Big Foot Wallace

Acquaintance with the colorful yarns of the cowboys, the treasure-trove stories of the pirates, the ballads and dramas of the Texas Rangers, and the songs and sayings of the Negroes

Acquaintance with the myths and legends of the Spanish, French, Mexicans, and Indians who lived in Texas

Consideration of the characteristics which folk tales from various countries have in common

Comparison of common threads in myths of diverse origins

Study of words that are derived from myths and legends

SEVENTH GRADE, SECOND SEMESTER

Continuation of Basal Reading Program (week by week)

Frequent practice in oral expression and composition

Frequent practice in written expression and composition

Continuation of the development of basic understandings concerning characteristics of language; differences between the conventions of spoken and written English; vowel and consonant phonemes and their representation in writing; the relationship between intonation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language; subject and predicate; form classes; signals of word order, word forms, and function words; and sentence patterns through the use of the transparencies from the Texas Transparency Development Project Series



Texas Literary Leaders

Points of Emphasis

Texans who have written fiction for children, for teenagers, and for adults

Texans who are noted for various types of non-fiction

Texas playwrights

The Poetry Society of Texas

Texas poet laureates

Texas Folklore Society

The Texas Institute of Letters

Texans who have become noted as newspaper editors, columnists, and book-page editors

Publications of Texas colleges and universities

Contributions of literary clubs, such as Shakespeare clubs, Browning clubs, and book review clubs, to the intellectual and cultural life of the state

Understanding and Enjoying Poetry

(Text materials will be selected from Prose and Poetry Journeys; New Trails; Adventure Bound; Wide, Wide World; Adventures for Readers, Book 1; Parades; Call to Adventure; Worlds of Adventure; Adventures for You; Paths and Pathfinders; Here and Everywhere; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Listening to poetry

Discovery of the power and music of words

Effective oral interpretation of poetry, in groups and individually

Emotional, intellectual, creative, and recreative values of poetry

Narrative poetry

Ballads

Lyric Poetry

Areas for Learning Experiences

EIGHTH GRADE, FIRST SEMESTER

Appraisal of Learning Needs

Informal "Reading Inventory," in which each student expresses his attitude toward reading and his personal evaluation of his reading skills

Informal problems in listening, speaking, reading, and writing, from which the teacher will analyze each student's strengths and weaknesses

Analysis of specific elements of each student's oral and written usage which differ from varieties of the prestige dialect

Diagnostic spelling test



Cumulative records study by the teacher of the reading achievement scores, the language achievement scores, and other pertinent data of selected students

Basal Reading Program

Each student will work with the teacher week by week during the year in one of the following basal readers:

Exploration Through Reading or New Horizons Through Reading, Book II (for capable readers)

Reading, Book 2, or Basic Reading 8, or Journeys into America (possible alternates for unusually capable readers)

Adventures Ahead or Reading for Significance (for readers who have some disabilities)

Because each basal reader is planned for a sequence in reading skills growth, the student begins with the first lesson in the book and works in sequence to develop the skills which become progressively more complex. Ordinarily, one new basal lesson is introduced each week; however, sometimes a slower rate of introduction of skills is desirable to assure the student's understanding and practice of each skill.

Some Characteristics of Language

(Text material will be the Texas Transparency Development Project Series, English 8, I-1 through I-10; III-1 through III-14.)

Points of Emphasis

Language as a code

Language as a system of signals

Language as a social phenomenon

The methods of linguistics

Stress, pitch, and juncture

Oral Expression and Composition

(This unit should introduce ideas and skills which will be an integral part of the English Language Arts program for the remainder of the school year. Students should have frequent practice in oral expression and composition.)

Points of Emphasis

Social conventions - conversation and introductions

Discussion — leading, assisting others to speak, involving all, resolving conflict, and controlling the "talker"

Oral interpretation — understanding the function of phrasing, cadence, and stress in communicating ideas, mood, or tone to an audience

Telling stories

Choral reading

Dramatization of ballads, stories, and plays

Parliamentary procedure



Preparing and delivering a speech — choosing a subject, gathering material, organizing ideas, outlining, and speaking from an outline

Speaking to convince and persuade others

Written Expression

(This unit should introduce ideas and skills which will be an integral part of the English Language Arts program for the remainder of the school year. Students should have frequent practice in written expression. Text material will be the Texas Transparency Development Project Series, English 8, II - 1 through II - 5; III - 1 through III - 14.)

Points of Emphasis

Differences between the conventions of spoken and written English

Vowel and consonant phonemes and their representation in writing

The relationship between intonation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language:

end punctuation

appositives

series

yes and no

direct address

Conventions or customs of punctuation in the written language (in addition to those listed for grade seven):

direct quotations

names of ships and trains

foreign words

words used as words instead of in the normal context of communication compound words and compound numbers

introduction of list, illustration, long or formal quotation or statement slang expressions and nicknames in formal writing

Conventions or customs of capitalization in the written language (in addition to those listed for grade seven):

first word in each line of poetry

first word in a quoted sentence

North, East, South, West, and their compounds and derivatives when designating divisions of the country

labels and slogans

nouns clearly personified

words indicating an important division of selections, books, or series of books the first word of each division of an outline

Grammar, the Organization of Language

(Text material will be the Texas Transparency Development Project Series, English 8, I-11 through I-32.)



Points of Emphasis

Subject and predicate

Form classes

Signals of word order, word forms, and function words

Written Composition

(This unit should introduce ideas and skills which will be an integral part of the English Language Arts program the remainder of the year. Students should have frequent practice in written composition.)

Points of Emphasis

Answers to questions

Note-taking

Friendly letters

Business letters

Reports

Summaries

Bibliographies

Personal narration

Descriptive paragraphs

Expository paragraphs, including such logical development orders as enumeration, illustration, cause and effect, comparison and contrast

Imaginative or emotional (creative) prose and poetry

Differentiation between fact and opinion

Character sketches (delineation of character traits and attention to motivation)

Sentence Patterns

(Text material will be the Texas Transparency Development Project Series, English 8, I - 33 through I - 46.)

Points of Emphasis

Pattern A:

 $(\mathbf{D}) \mathbf{N} \mathbf{V}_{i} (\mathbf{A} d\mathbf{v})$

Pattern B:

(D) $N^{1}V_{t}$ (D) N^{2}

Pattern C:

 $(\mathbf{D}) \mathbf{N}^{i} \mathbf{V}_{i} (\mathbf{D}) \mathbf{N}^{i}$

Pattern D:

 $(\mathbf{D}) \mathbf{N} \mathbf{V}_1 \mathbf{A} \mathbf{d} \mathbf{j}$

Pattern E:

 $(D) N V_t (D) N (D) N$

Be Patterns:

(D) N be Adj

(D) N be (D) N

(D) N be Adv

Newspapers Today

Points of Emphasis

Influence of newspapers on public opinion

Contributions and services of a free press in a democratic society

Comparison of news stories and editorials

Comparison of the treatment of news stories by several newspapers

Feature articles and book reviews

Characteristics of journalistic style of written expression and composition

EIGHTH GRADE, SECOND SEMESTER

Continuation of Basal Reading Program (week by week)

Frequent practice in oral expression and composition

Frequent practice in written expression and composition

Continuation of the development of basic understandings concerning characteristics of language; differences between the conventions of spoken and written English; vowel and consonant phonemes and their representation in writing; the relationship between intonation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language; subject and predicate; form classes; signals of word order, word forms, and function words; and sentence patterns through the use of the transparencies from the Texas Transparency Development Project Series

American Literary Heritage

(Text material will be selected from Prose and Poetry Adventures; Adventures for Readers, Book 2; All Around America; Wide Horizons; Panoramas; Widening Views; Vanguard; Reading Today Book II; Wonders and Workers; Your Country Book II; Reading Round-Up Book II; Worlds of People; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Contributions of the humanities to society

Meaning of heritage

Heritage reflected in the prose and poetry of such authors as Washington Irving, Henry W. Longfellow, Mark Twain, Edward E. Hale

Regional stories

Folktales, legends, and myths

Motion Pictures and Television

Points of Emphasis

Business aspects and their significance

Arts and crafts that contribute

People who have been responsible for their growth

Value of critical reviews

Favorite motion pictures and television programs as springboards for reading

Appreciation of good acting, well-constructed plots, and appropriate settings

History of motion pictures including advances in techniques of sets, lighting, photography, costuming, and make-up



Contribution of the director to the motion picture

Conventions of movie making

The motion picture as an art form

Development of discrimination in the choice of television programs

Assessment of the interpretation of American family life by various television family shows

Analysis of television commercials and their emphasis upon the prevailing standards of economic and social success

Areas for Learning Experiences

NINTH GRADE, ENGLISH 1

Appraisal of Learning Needs

Informal "Reading Inventory," in which each student expresses his attitudes toward reading and his personal evaluation of his reading skills

Informal problems in listening, speaking, reading, and writing, from which the teacher will analyze each student's strengths and weaknesses

Analysis of specific elements of each student's oral and written usage which differ from varieties of the prestige dialect

Diagnostic spelling test

Cumulative records study by the teacher of the reading achievement scores, the language achievement scores, the mental maturity scores, and other pertinent data of selected students

Basal Reading Program

Each student will work with the teacher in one of the following:

Advanced Skills in Reading III

SRA Reading Laboratory

Reader's Digest, Educational Edition

Eighth-grade honors students may also use

Reading Book 2 or Journeys into America

Friends in Short Fiction

(Text material will be selected from Adventures in Reading; Scope, Practical English, Literary Cavalcade; short stories by such authors as Thomas B. Aldrich, Laura Benét, Heywood Broun, Morley Callaghan, Dorothy Canfield, B. J. Chute, Russell Connell, Ellis Credle, August Derleth, Arthur Conan Doyle, Henri Duvermois, Hamlin Garland, Joel C. Harris, Bret Harte, Walter Havighurst, Nathaniel Hawthorne, O. Henry, Washington Irving, Margaret W. Jackson, Will James, Eric Knight, Robert W. Krepps, Selma Lagerlöf, Jack London, Guy de Maupassant, Edward McCourt, Robert Murphy, Edgar A. Poe, James Pooler, Wilber Schramm, Elsie Singmaster, Ernest T. Seton, Max Steele, Frank Stockton, Booth Tarkington, and Mark Twain; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)



Points of Emphasis

Short stories as sources of pleasure, inspiration, and information

Contribution of short stories to personal needs and interests

Contribution of short stories to one's understanding of people of other races, of distant geographical locations, of historical times, and of different chronological ages

Elements of the short story

Technique of the short story

Qualities which make characters come alive in short stories

Understanding of purposes and themes of various short stories

Oral Expression and Composition

(This unit should introduce ideas and skills which will be an integral part of the English Language Arts program for the remainder of the school year. Students should have frequent practice in oral expression and composition.)

Points of Emphasis

Discussion — leading, assisting others to speak, involving all, resolving conflict, and controlling the "talker"

Oral interpretation — understanding the function of phrasing, cadence, and stress in communicating ideas, mood, or tone to an audience

Choral reading

Dramatization of plays

Parliamentary procedure

Preparing and delivering a speech — choosing a subject, gathering material, organizing ideas, outlining, and speaking from an outline

Speaking to convince and persuade others

Written Expression

(This unit should review and introduce ideas and skills which will be an integral part of the English Language Arts program for the remainder of the school year. Students should have frequent practice in written expression. Text material will be selected from *Modern Grammar and Composition 1*, Part I, Chapters 9 and 11.)

Points of Emphasis

Differences between the conventions of spoken and written English

Vowel and consonant phonemes and their representation in writing

The relationship between intonation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language:

end punctuation

appositives

series

yes and no

direct address



introductory sentence elements terminal word groups

Punctuation as a signal of the structure of the written language:

coordinate clauses subordinate elements appositives absolutes transitional adverbs

Conventions or customs of punctuation in the written language Conventions or customs of capitalization in the written language

Grammar, the Organization of Language

(Text material will be selected from Modern Grammar and Composition 1, Part I, Chapters 1 and 2.)

Points of Emphasis

Subject - predicate structure The sentence complement Word order Seven sentence patterns

Written Composition

(This unit should review and introduce ideas and skills which will be an integral part of the English Language Arts program the remainder of the year. Students should have frequent practice in written composition.)

Points of Emphasis

Answers to questions

Note-taking

Friendly letters

Business letters

Reports

Summaries

Bibliographies

Personal narration

Descriptive paragraphs

Expository paragraphs, including such logical development orders as enumeration, illustration, cause and effect, comparison and contrast

Differentiation between fact and opinion and drawing inferences from facts

Use of specific details to support abstractions

Analysis of a specific aspect of a book

Imaginative or emotional (creative) prose and poetry

Character sketches (delineation of character traits and attention to motivation)

Ways of achieving unity and coherence in compositions of three to five paragraphs



Friends in Long Fiction

(Text material will be selected from one or more of the following novels: Louisa M. Alcott, Little Women; Bess S. Aldrich, A Lantern in Her Hand; Merritt P. Allen, Battle Lanterns, The Flicker's Feather, Johnny Reb, The Spirit of the Eagle; Paul Annixter, Swiftwater; Joseph Archibald, Falcons to the Fight; Isaac Asimov, Caves of Steel; Enid Bagnold, National Velvet; James M. Barrie, Little Minister: Edward L. Beach, Run Silent, Run Deep; Margaret E. Bell, Watch for a Tall White Sail; Curtis Bishop, Field Goal; Carol R. Brink, Caddie Woodlawn: Betty Cavanna, Jenny Kimura, Paintbox Summer, Passport to Romance; B. J. Chute, Greenwillow; Ann N. Clark, Santiago, Secret of the Andes; Arthur C. Clarke, The City and the Stars, Dolphin Island, Earthlight, Sands of Mars; Elizabeth Coatsworth, Door to the North, Indian Encounters; James F. Cooper, The Deerslayer, The Last of the Mohicans, The Pathfinders, The Spy; Stephen Crane, The Red Badge of Courage; Maureen Daly, Seventeenth Summer; Marguerite De Angeli, The Door in the Wall; Daniel Defoe, Robinson Crusoe; Charles Dickens, A Christmas Carol, David Copperfield, Great Expectations, Pickwick Papers; Lloyd C. Douglas, The Big Fisherman, The Robe; Alexandre Dumas, The Count of Monte Cristo, The Three Musketeers; Walter D. Edmonds, Drums Along the Mohawk, Rome Haul, Wilderness Clearing; Anne Emery, A Dream to Touch, Going Steady, Sorority Girl; Henry G. Felsen, Hot Rod, Street Rod; Esther Forbes, Johnny Tremain, Rainbow on the Road; C. S. Forester, The African Queen, The Captain from Connecticut, Captain Horatio Hornblower, The Good Shepherd, Mr. Midshipman Hornblower; Frederick Gipson, Old Yeller, Savage Sam; Kenneth Grahame, The Wind in the Willows; Philip Harkins, Fight Like a Falcon, Road Race; Robert Heinlein, Farmer in the Sky, Podkayne of Mars, Red Planet, The Star Beast; Marguerite Henry, Brighty of the Grand Canyon; Helen H. Jackson, Ramona; Mackinley Kantor, The Voice of Bugle Ann; Harold Keith, Rifles for Watie; Eric Kelly, The Trumpeter of Krakow, Charles Kingsley, Westward Ho!; Rudyard Kipling, Kim, The Light That Failed; James Kjelgaard, Big Red; Joseph Krumgold, And Now Miguel; Jean Latham, Carry On, Mr. Bowditch, This Dear-Bought Land; Richard Llewellyn, How Green Was My Valley; Gladys Malvern, Behold Your Queen, The Foreigner, Saul's Daughter, Tamar; John Masefield, Bird of Dawning, Jim Davis; Scott O'Dell, Island of the Blue Dolphins; Mary O'Hara, My Friend Flicka, Green Grass of Wyoming, Thunderhead; Emmuska Orczy, Scarlet Pimpernel; Frances G. Patton, Good Morning, Miss Dove; Howard Pease, Bound for Singapore, The Dark Adventure, Heart of Danger; Marjorie Rawlings, Cross Creek, The Yearling; Conrad Richter, The Light in the Forest; William Saroyan, The Human Comedy; Jack Schaefer, The Plainsman, Shane; Walter Scott, Ivanhoe; Anna Sewell, Black Beauty; Nevil Shute, The Legacy, On the Beach; Henryk Sienkiewicz, Quo Vadis; Elizabeth G. Speare, The Bronze Bow, Calico Captive, The Witch of Blackbird Pond; Don Stanford, The Red Car; Robert L. Stevenson, Black Arrow, Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde, Kidnapped, The Master of Ballentrae, Treasure Island; Mary Stolz, To Tell Your Love, Who Wants Music on Monday; James Street, Captain Little Ax, Goodbye, My Lady; Rosemary Sutcliff, The John Wood Case, The Mark of the Horse-Lord, Sword at Sunset; Jonathan Swift, Gulliver's Travels; Booth Tarkington, Alice Adams, The Magnificent Ambersons, Seventeen; Mark Twain, A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court, Huckleberry Finn, The Prince and the Pauper, Tom Sawyer; Mildred Walker, Winter Wheat; Jessamyn West, Cress Delahanty, The Friendly Persuasion; T. H. White, The Once and Future King; Owen Wister, The Virginian; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Character-told or omniscient author

The novel as a source of pleasure, inspiration, and information

The novel as a reflection of its region and culture

Recognition of main idea

Generalization, in terms of personal experience, about what a novel means

Effect of word connotations on tone and mood

Following a story line through complex books although chronological presentation is broken by the flash back technique or even reversed

Realization of how large a part sensory impressions play in making reading a true "experience"

Form Classes

(Text material will be selected from Modern Grammar and Composition 1, Part I, Chapters 3, 4, 5, and 6.)

Points of Emphasis

Nouns

Verbs

Adjectives

Adverbs

Form as a signal to identification

Position as a signal to identification

Function words as signals to identification

Characters Come to Life

(Text material will be selected from Adventures in Reading; Literary Cavalcade; Jerome Chodorov and Joseph Fields, Junior Miss; Russel Crouse and Howard Lindsay, Life with Father; Zona Gale, Not Quite Such a Goose; Clifford Goldsmith, What a Life!; Isabella A. Gregory, Seven Short Plays; Eric P. Kelly, The Christmas Nightingale; Gian C. Menotti, Amahl and the Night Visitors; Edmond Rostand, Cyrano de Bergerac, The Romancers; William Shakespeare, As You Like It, A Midsummer Night's Dream, The Taming of the Shrew, The Tempest, Twelfth Night; Booth Tarkington, Trysting Place; Oscar Wilde, The Importance of Feing Earnest; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Drama as an effective way of telling a story

Distinctive differences between the one-act play, the radio play, the television play, and longer drama

Quality of dramatic productions

Techniques of reading drama for enjoyment



Participation in drama production

Comparison of early theatre with the present day theatre

NINTH GRADE, ENGLISH 2

Continuation of Basal Reading Program (week by week)

Frequent practice in oral expression and composition

Frequent practice in written expression and composition

Continuation of the development of basic understandings concerning characteristics of language, differences between the conventions of spoken and written English, vowel and consonant phonemes and their representation in writing, the relationship between intonation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language, sentence patterns, and form classes

Function Words

(Text material will be selected from Modern Grammar and Composition 1, Part I, Chapter 7.)

Points of Emphasis

Words that function as connectives

Words that function as pronouns

Words that function as auxiliaries

Words that function as determiners

Looking Toward the Future

Points of Emphasis

Extension of one's knowledge of people through a study of their work

Importance of planning for the future

Sources of information on vocations

Requirements, advantages, and disadvantages of several vocations

Types of work which suit one's personal aptitudes and interests

Preparation for vocational efficiency

Famous People — Past and Present

(Text materials will be selected from Adventures in Reading; autobiographies and biographies by Henry Adams, Jane Addams, Jean L. R. Agassiz, Mary Antin, George Arliss, Nina Baker, Rachel Baker, Louise Baker, Eugene Barker, Geoffrey Bocca, Edward Bok, Richard E. Byrd, Mary E. Chase, James H. Daugherty, Sonia Daugherty, J. Frank Dobie, Lloyd C. Douglas, William O. Douglas, Jeanette Eaton, David Ewen, Kathryn Forbes, Genevieve Foster, Doris Garst, Frank B. Gilbreth, Shirley Graham, Wilfred T. Grenfell, Emily Hahn, Walter Havighurst, Molly Haycraft, Marguerite Henry, Stewart Holbrook, Rackham Holt, Will James, Clara Judson, Helen Keller, Ernest W. Langewiesche, Harold Lamb, Jean Latham, Eva Le Gallienne, Charles Lindbergh, Enid Meadowcroft, Cornelia Meigs, Honoré Morrow, John Muir, Iris Noble, Jeanette Nolan, Albert B. Paine, Quentin Reynolds, Ann Roos, Constance Rourke, Antoine de Saint-Exu-



pery, Carl Sandburg, Gene Schoor, Ernest Sharp, James V. Sheean, Katherine Shippen, Cornelia O. Skinner, Lincoln Steffens, Augusta Stevenson, Noel Streatfeild, Jesse Stuart, Hildegarde Swift, Norgay Tenzing, Lowell J. Thomas, Lon Tinkle, Sigrid Undset, Marguerite Vance, Booker T. Washington, Beryl Williams, Frances Winwar, Laura Wood; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Use of talents to overcome difficulties and to achieve success

Appreciation of the elements of true greatness

Recognition of significant personality traits

The worth of various individuals to society

Development of skill in sharing experiences

Reading of biographies and autobiographies which are primarily narrative and chronological

Building Sentences

(Text material will be selected from Modern Grammar and Composition 1, Part I, Chapter 8.)

Points of Emphasis

Coordination

The structure of the compound sentence

Subordination

The structure of the complex sentence

Combining coordination and subordination

A Challenge and a Reward

(Text material will be selected from Adventures in Reading; Literary Cavalcade; the poetry of Faye C. Adams, Franklin P. Adams, Conrad Aiken, Margaret R. Akin, Richard Armour, Mary Austin, Karl W. Baker, W. E. Bard, Stephen V. Benét, Rosemary Benét, William R. Benét, George Bond, Robert Browning, Robert Burns, Witter Bynner, Robert P. Tristram Coffin, Padraic Colum, Grace N. Crowell, Thomas A. Daly, Mary A. Davis, G. K. Chesterton, Walter de la Mare, Louise Driscoll, Paul Dunbar, Margaret R. Edwards, Ralph W. Emerson, Eugene Field, Rachel L. Field, Robert Frost, Hilton R. Greer, William Henley, Boyce House, Margaret B. Houston, Burges Johnson, Siddie Joe Johnson, Joyce Kilmer, Rudyard Kipling, Edward Lear, Vachel Lindsay, Myra C. Livingston, Henry W. Longfellow, John McCrae, Edward Markham, Don Marquis, John Masefield, Edgar L. Masters, Vada S. Montgomery, Whitney Montgomery, Ogden Nash, Alfred Noyes, Edgar A. Poe, Nancy R. Ransom, Lizette W. Reese, James W. Riley, Lexie Robertson, David Russell, Arthur Sampley, Carl Sandburg, Lew Sarett, Walter Scott, Edward R. Sill, James Stephens, Robert L. Stevenson, Sara Teasdale, Francis Tichnor, Henry Van Dyke, Carolyn Wells, Marvin D. Winsett; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Inspiration and pleasure from listening to poetry



Effective oral interpretation of poetry

Discovery of the author's purpose or idea

Emotional release through poetry

Differentiation between figurative and literal language

Understanding of such figures of speech as simile, metaphor, personification, alliteration, and onomatopoeia

Dictionaries

(Text material will be selected from Modern Grammar and Composition 1, Part I, Chapter 10; Webster's Students Dictionary; Thorndike-Barnhart High School Dictionary; Webster's New World Dictionary; American College Dictionary; Standard College Dictionary; and Webster's Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary.)

Points of Emphasis

The dictionary as a source of history

The dictionary as a source of grammar

The dictionary as a source of sound

The significance of the introductory sections of dictionaries

COURSE OFFERINGS

Tenth, Eleventh, and Twelfth Grade and Advanced Placement English

Scope

The English Language Arts program is planned to relate the discipline of English (language, composition, and literature) to the developmental needs of youth; to the cultural demands of society; and to the responsibilities of citizens toward home, school, and community in a democracy.

The first week of each school year is devoted to an appraisal of learning needs. At that time the student has the opportunity of setting realistic, challenging goals for himself, under the guidance of his teacher. The student's progress towards these goals is evaluated periodically throughout the year.

An integral part of each course is a developmental reading program, which includes word recognition skills and comprehension skills related to critical thinking, purpose, efficiency, vocabulary development, and study skills.

Individual and group activities which encourage the development of listening and speaking skills are organized.

Language is observed and described as a code, as a system of signals, and as a social phenomenon. The concept of grammar as the organization of language is developed, with special emphasis on such features of English as subject/predicate; form classes; signals of word order, word form, and function words; sentence patterns; kernel sentences; and complex sentences which are derived from the kernel sentences by operations called transformations. Other important language concepts which are developed are that modern languages are a product of historical development, that language change is normal and inevitable, that there are levels of usage, that the test of usage should be appropriateness to the speaker and to the occasion, and that there are differences between the conventions of spoken and written English. The social and regional varieties of American English, ways in which new words and new meanings are added to the vocabulary of English, some of the concepts from the field of semantics, and the purposes and sources of authority of dictionaries are also considered.

Units related to written expression continue to emphasize both the common and the unusual ways in which vowel and consonant phonemes are represented in writing; the relationship between intonation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language; the relationship between English syntax and punctuation; conventions of punctuation which are related to neither intonation nor syntax; and conventions of capitalization.

Composition (the organization and presentation of ideas in sentences and in larger units) in a variety of oral and written forms is studied systematically.

Literature units are presented both chronologically and by genres. Tenth grade English includes units on short stories, mythology, drama, novels, and poetry.

English 5 (the first semester of the eleventh grade) presents early American literature chronologically. English 6 (the second semester of the eleventh grade) presents units in biography, regional literature, fiction, essays, and poetry.

Twelfth grade English presents English literature chronologically.

Advanced Placement English, which follows the directions set by the College Entrance Examination Board, is organized according to genres: essay, drama, poetry, short story,



and novel. In addition to reading a limited number of great works closely, students write a weekly expository or critical essay whose content is related to the analysis of literature.

Expected Outcomes

Through participation in the English Language Arts program of the tenth, eleventh, and twelfth grades and Advanced Placement, the student

Increases in ability to listen purposefully and attentively with discrimination and courtesy

Recognizes the musical qualities of language

Sharpens his ability to distinguish vowel and consonant phonemes in the major regional speech areas of the United States

Becomes increasingly aware of the significance of pitch, stress, and juncture in communication

Seeks opportunities to listen to specific forms and patterns of utterances which are currently a part of prestige dialects (in informal and formal situations) and which he would like to add to his own repertory of readily available choices for his personal speech and writing

Develops a sense of the power of words to influence people

Becomes aware of emotionally weighted words

Anticipates what will come

Listens "between the lines"

Weighs the verbal evidence of what he hears

Learns to separate fact from opinion as he listens

Cultivates the habit of remembering key ideas and drawing conclusions

Listens to enjoy, to become informed, to appreciate, and to follow directions

Evidences increasing discrimination in selecting motion pictures, radio programs, and television shows for information and for entertainment

Develops the habit of realistic self-appraisal in oral expression

Expresses personal opinions clearly

Acquires skill in speech for social occasions

Practices using specific forms and patterns of utterances which are currently a part of prestige dialects (in informal or formal situations) and which he would like to add to his own repertory of readily available choices for his personal speech

Observes good oral techniques before the group: posture, gesture, facial expression, movement, volume, rate, tone quality, distinctness, and audience contact

Gains poise and self-confidence in speaking before a group and in presiding according to standards of parliamentary usage

Habitually and unconsciously sees words and punctuation ahead, so that he interprets naturally

Habitually and unconsciously uses phrasing, cadence, and stress to interpret ideas, mood, and tone to an audience

Pauses for emphasis, for laughs, for indication of shift in subject or direction of story or explanation

speaking and oral interpretation

listening

Increases ability to talk from an outline and notes

Participates in and contributes to group discussions Participates in dramatics, story telling, choral reading, and panel discussions

Is skillful in attacking complicated unfamiliar words

Uses context clues plus past reading and life experiences, reflection of mood or situation, and figures of speech

Automatically uses such structural elements as compound words, prefixes, suffixes, and Latin and Greek roots in word attack procedure after having first tried context and word form clues

Is skillful in the use of the conventions of syllabication and the ramifications of structural understandings in attacking unfamiliar words both in reading and spelling

Continues to develop a knowledge of patterns of accent and becomes conscious of secondary accent

Independently and habitually recognizes the difference between memorizing or verbalizing and grasping concepts

Learns something of the relationship between language and thought, and applies that knowledge in understanding what he reads

Recognizes the author's purpose, tone, and mood

Recognizes the author's pattern: main ideas and details which support main ideas Reads critically to reflect and weigh

Reads creatively to visualize people and places, to draw conclusions, to see relationships, and to make inferences

Recognizes cause and effect

Learns to apply elementary semantics as an aid in recognizing subtle propaganda

Is conscious that the word is not the thing, that facts differ from opinions, inferences, and judgments

Recognizes independently the difference between illustrations used for purposes of explanation and those used to prove or convince

Independently notes and takes into account transitions between sentences, between paragraphs, between groups of paragraphs, and between main divisions of long essays

Learns to make, in short sentences of his own composition, a complete outline of a long essay, with every paragraph represented by a sentence stating its main idea and with the idea of the whole essay stated in a thesis sentence

Learns to grasp meaning conveyed by organization and to understand how paragraphing is related to complexity of idea

Habitually reads critically (interpreting the passage, making appraisal, and drawing conclusions)

Differentiates in his reading between fact and opinion or judgment, rational thought and rationalization, deductive and inductive reasoning

Habitually looks for the assumptions behind an author's statements and makes inferences about the author's reliability or bias

reading comprehension critical thinking

reading

recognition

word

reading comprehension purpose and efficiency

With increasing independence, determines the author's point of view or purpose and evaluates in terms of it

Systematically uses the book's preface and other sources for evidence of the author's purpose and basic philosophy

Independently identifies his purpose in reading any specific selection

Learns to be a flexible reader, according to his purpose and his material

Learns to read meaning groups even when the grouping is not indicated by punctuation

Practices "key word" reading in material he needs only to skim

Skims for the answer when the answer is not in the words of the question

Skims for reviewing and for browsing

Skims for background

Distinguishes between essential and non-essential ideas

Habitually pauses and ponders passages of author's exposition in literature

Slows his rate as he "carries on a conversation" with the author and writes questions and comments regarding such reading

Habitually keeps a list of words, and goes over it periodically, marking off words whose meanings he has thoroughly learned

Surmises word meanings from contextual clues

Learns that dictionary definitions are seldom adequate to explain the meanings of frequently used abstract words, that only context can indicate the exact sense in which the author uses his terms

Through instruction in words met in context, continues to learn the meaning of a growing list of roots and affixes

Continues to develop a feeling for and some knowledge of etymology (particularly of words with interesting origins and histories)

Understands that usage, not etymology, determines word meanings

Habitually thinks of synonyms and antonyms in understanding the meanings of new words, yet gains such a feeling for connotation that he understands there are no perfect synonyms

Realizes that most polar terms have meaning only in relation to their opposites

Habitually notes and makes use of key words and phrases which signal significant relationships among ideas, such as another fact, an opposite idea, another time, another place, examples, details in time order, cause-effect, and comparison-contrast

Continues to use a study-reading technique such as SQ3R

Learns to read and follow complex directions of many steps, each of which has sub-heads and some of which have sub-sub-heads

Uses reference materials of the library with growing facility and skill and assumes the responsibility of looking things up himself

Reads complex maps, charts, and tables with facility, recognizes their value for presenting a summarization, but learns their limitations and is on guard against their tendency to distort

reading comprehension vocabulary development

reading comprehension study skills Uses footnotes, cross references, glossary, and appendices

Uses captions, headings, and other typographical aids

Becomes acquainted with aids to book selection, such as reviews and book lists

Improves attitudes and appreciations through reading by gaining a sympathetic understanding of other human beings, by setting up high ideals and standards of conduct, by developing spiritual values, and by responding to aesthetic experiences found in literature

Grows in self-understanding and broadens personal and cultural interests

Grows in power to evaluate critically

Continues to explore and analyze vocational opportunities

Increases in ability to make discriminating choices of reading material for leisure reading, for gaining information, and for forming judgments

Begins to read adult literature

Increases understanding of the relationship between intonation, syntax, and punctuation

Learns which conventions of punctuation are related to neither intonation nor syntax

Continues to develop techniques for improving what he writes, proofreads, uses dictionaries and other books for reference, and revises where need is pointed out to him

Learns to develop a point of view and to select appropriate examples to support his point of view

Becomes able to conceive an idea that is capable of development and to express this idea clearly in a topic sentence or a thesis sentence

Distinguishes between ideas that lend themselves to further development and those that do not

Recognizes when an idea has been adequately developed

Recognizes the relevance or irrelevance of details and examples

Recognizes faulty generalizations

Clarifies ideas by defining key words and by expanding abstractions

Understands the nature of rationalization and of logical fallacies

Understands techniques of persuasion used in advertisements or propaganda

Becomes aware of the difference between a fact, an interpretation of a fact, and an individual opinion

Uses consciously the deductive reasoning process

Distinguishes between assumptions and discussions based upon them

Recognizes a circular argument which assumes or implies whatever it purports to prove

Is aware of assumptions upon which statements depend

Gains experience in developing independent paragraphs by definition, illustrations, examples, comparison, contrast, presentation of facts or data, use of incidents, or a series of incidents, general explication (unfolding what has been implied in the topic sentence), induction, deduction, statement of the simple and

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composition

then the complex, statement of the complex and reduction of it to its simplest terms, familiar to the unfamiliar, unfamiliar to the familiar, statement of a question and its answer, statement of a problem and its solution, cause to effect, effect to cause, chronology, other time arrangement, space arrangement, climactic arrangement, analogy, progress from unbelievable to believable, explanation of causes, explanation of effects, presentation of what is not, elimination of alternatives, use of quoted material, use of bits of conversation, repetition for emphasis or special effect, logical relationships, paradox, reference to authority, negative statements, refutation, application of a general truth, use of symbolism or figurative language

Gains experience in deriving a thesis question of "how" or "why" from a thesis sentence; in composing a sentence outline, parallel in form, which displays his logical answer to the thesis question; in using deductive reasoning to develop his thesis sentence

Uses his personal taste, his knowledge of a subject, the nature of a subject, and the reader to choose a guiding purpose which will give organic unity to a composition

Asks himself searchingly what he wants to say about his topic, why he wants to say it, and what is his attitude toward it

Arranges the details which support the general thesis in the logical order of climax, of general to specific, of cause to effect, of effect to cause, of familiarity, of utility, of acceptability, of the dominant impression, and of psychological effect

States the basic idea of an essay in a thesis sentence that is restricted, unified, and precise

States a clear purpose for an essay that is concerned with facts rather than with ideas

Shapes a purpose statement by means of illustrative organization (statement, explanation, and example) or by means of analytical organization (organization by division)

Learns to use the closing sentence of one paragraph as a link with the topic sentence which introduces the next paragraph

Habitually uses transition words and phrases

Uses transitional paragraphs to sum up what has been said, to introduce one or more illustrations of points already made, or to foreshadow or state what the writer intends to do next

Expresses and arranges the sentences of a paragraph so that each sentence flows naturally out of the one that precedes it and leads naturally into the one that follows it

Skillfully repeats nouns, or their synonyms, that have been used in preceding sentences

Uses words and phrases that serve definite purposes of demonstrations, addition, order or sequence, illustration, comparison, consequence or conclusion, contrast, repetition, space relation, and time relation

Learns to continue the same subject from sentence to sentence in the same words, in synonyms, or by means of function words



Learns to use some word of the first sentence, perhaps the object, as the subject of the second sentence or at the beginning of the second sentence

Uses parallel structure

Uses transitional connectives to introduce an illustration, to add another phase of the same idea, to point a contrast or a qualification, and to indicate a conclusion or result

Gains experience in composing paraphrases, summaries, synopses, and précis

Reports on a book by an analysis of some specific aspect, by explanation of author's attitudes toward certain characters, or by expounding some part of author's view of life

Learns to bring together scattered information from sources having varied purposes and to synthesize it into a composition whose organization furthers his own specific purpose

Learns when to quote his sources, when to summarize them, and how to indicate clearly those portions of his composition which are "derived" from those which are "original" or result from his synthesis of the derived material

Learns to distinguish between what in his material is "common knowledge" and what is the author's own contribution, conclusion, or personal opinion

Learns the rudiments of footnotes and bibliography

Learns that systems of documentation differ so much that one has to adopt, with the aid of specific instructions, that of the person or publication for which he is writing

Increasingly uses exact words in all his compositions, in the creative those words whose connotations determine his tone or mood and in the factual those words which most efficiently define, illustrate, or explain

Becomes aware of language as a code

Understands that each language has its own code

Learns that language is a system of signals

Understands that language is a social phenomenon

Learns that language includes phonology, grammar, and lexicon

Understands that grammar signals meaning independently of lexical content

Learns to define grammar as the devices by which language is organized to communicate meaning

Recognizes that speech carries meaning through stress, pitch, and juncture

Learns that some of the conventions of spoken and written English are different

Considers modern languages as products of historical development

Understands that language change is normal and inevitable

Learns to discriminate carefully among levels of usage

Learns that the test of usage should be appropriateness to the speaker and to the occasion

Recognizes two different kinds of sentences in English: kernel, or basic, sentences and complex sentences which are derived from the kernel sentences by operations called transformations

language



Increases his knowledge of both common and unusual written representations of vowel and consonant phonemes so that this knowledge may be used automatically

Identifies some usages as inappropriate in standard usage of speech and informal writing

Identifies some usages as inappropriate in the few really formal papers which he writes

Learns how dictionaries are made

Learns that dictionaries are descriptive rather than prescriptive

Habitually refers to introductory sections of dictionaries

Habitually uses a variety of up-to-date dictionaries

Develops careful criteria for selecting dictionaries for his own use

Habitually compares the information found in several up-to-date dictionaries

Learns that the purpose of "great" literature is to enable the reader to "experience" life as the author experiences it

Learns that the author's part in fulfilling that purpose consists of presenting word symbols denoting many carefully selected and ordered imagined facts plus a relatively small number of conclusions and attitudes, and connotating subtle and complex shadings of attitude

Learns that the reader's part is (1) to imagine that the symbolized facts are actual facts, (2) to perceive all denoted facts, understand all denoted conclusions, adopt all denoted attitudes (3) to draw from the facts correct conclusions, (4) to be aware of all clues (author's exposition, word connotations, emphases of selection and ordering) and to be guided by those clues into adopting the attitudes of the author, (5) to create in himself by a synthesis of these conclusions an attitude or "experience" as closely identical with the author's as possible

Learns to perform the reader's part by the guided reading of a sequence of great literature carefully selected to offer a gradual progression from relatively simple and easy to thoroughly complex and difficult reading problems

Learns to follow the story line accurately even when events are alluded to or hinted at rather than presented

Learns to pick up and interpret all clues to what happens (where characters are talking, when story omits a period of time, after the last line, when author gives almost no factual details), thus becoming aware of every event the author indicates having occurred

Reorders the events of a stream of consciousness narrative into correct chronological sequence

Learns to visualize solely in response to word stimuli

Habitually looks for the conflict within a short story, the outcome of the struggle, the nature of the impact on the characters, the author's theme or thesis, the organic unity of the story

Habitually looks for the central dominating idea of a novel, its pattern of organization, its mood or emotional atmosphere, its style, its elements of lasting value

Habitually looks for the crisis in a drama, the locale of the drama, the action of the characters in the crisis, the outcome of the conflict

literature

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Makes the use of textual clues habitual, and thus sees characters as having unique personalities differentiated by subtle shadings and intricately complex combinations of character traits

Learns to adopt, while reading, values, thought patterns, and emotional responses foreign to him and to the general society of which he is a part

Identifies, by the use of clues and of conclusions drawn from fact, the themes of great literature

Generalizes about the author's meaning, ideas, attitudes, and purpose only in response to textual stimuli which he can point to as evidence supporting his generalizations

Seeks to integrate his vicarious reading experiences (syntheses of facts, ideas, attitudes) with these actual experiences in forming his own philosophy of life

Takes this last step only after he has understood a work and tentatively evaluated its worth as a human experience

Responds habitually to word connotations, begins to understand how sound, rhythm, denotation, and connotation contribute to total meaning in poetry

Begins to take symbolism in his stride and even to recognize and search out various levels of symbolism

Habitually understands or interprets figurative language without identifying whether the figure is metaphor or metonomy, simile or synecdoche

Increasingly realizes, by noting the specifically historical and cultural elements, how authors are "products of their age and race"

Learns to see literature as an integral part of its time, region, and culture; and, by relating historical and cultural elements to what he already knows through actual and vicarious experience, recognizes the relation of literature to other fields of study and interest

Enlarges his experiences of listening to and reading poetry (narrative, lyric, ballad, epic, satiric, and some philosophic); stories (folk, myth, epic, realistic, conventional plotted short story, satiric, ironic, allegoric, tragic, comic, stories dealing with social and personal problems); biography and autobiography (narrative, chronological, objective, analytic, related to work or times); essay (factual, informational with examples or details; personal or anecdotal in style; serious development of complex ideas, personal or factual; informal development of opinion in argumentative pattern); novel (character-told, onmiscient author, problem, psychological, philosophical); drama (melodrama or surface, problem, tragedy, comedy, romantic farce); letters and journals; addresses

Areas for Learning Experiences

TENTH GRADE, ENGLISH 3

Appraisal of Learning Needs

Informal "Reading Inventory," in which each student expresses his attitudes toward reading and his personal evaluation of his reading skills

Informal problems in listening, speaking, reading, and writing, from which the teacher will analyze each student's strengths and weaknesses



Analysis of specific elements of each student's oral and written usage which differ from varieties of the prestige dialect

Diagnostic spelling test

Cumulative record study by the teacher of the reading achievement scores, the language achievement scores, the mental maturity scores, the Iowa Test of Educational Development scores, and other pertinent data of selected students

Oral Expression and Composition

(This unit should continue the development of ideas and skills which make oral expression and composition an integral part of the English Language Arts program for the year. Adequate time should be allowed for students to develop confidence and fluency in speaking.)

Points of Emphasis

Discussion – leading, assisting others to speak, involving all, resolving conflict, and controlling the "talker"

Oral interpretation – understanding the function of phrasing, cadence, and stress in communicating ideas, mood, or tone to an audience

Choral reading

Dramatization of plays

Parliamentary procedure

Preparing and delivering a speech — choosing a subject, gathering material, organizing ideas, outlining, and speaking from an outline

Speaking to convince and persuade others

Grammar, the Organization of Language

(Text material will be selected from Modern Grammar and Composition 2, Part I, Chapters 1, 2, 3.)

Points of Emphasis

The signals of a sentence

Basic sentence patterns

Basic sentence elements

Form classes

Coordination and subordination

Headwords and modifiers

Form and function

The Most Popular Fiction

(Text material will be selected from Adventures in Appreciation; Scope, Practical English, Literary Cavalcade; short stories by such authors as Conrad Aiken, Sherwood Anderson, Robert Benchley, Stephen V. Benét, Ambrose Bierce, Pearl Buck, Willa Cather, Mary E. Chase, Anton Chekhov, Irvin S. Cobb, Stephen Crane, Arthur Conan Doyle, Alexandre Dumas, Walter D. Edmonds, William Faulkner, Edna Ferber, Michael Fessier, Zona Gale, Paul Gallico, John Galsworthy, Hamlin Garland, Edward E. Hale, Bret Harte, Nathaniel Hawthorne,



Ernest Hemingway, O. Henry, Paul Horgan, Washington Irving, Henry James, Selma Lagerlöf, Ring Lardner, Sinclair Lewis, Jack London, Percy Mackaye, Howard Maier, Thomas Mann, Guy de Maupassant, Dorothy Parker, Frances G. Patton, Edgar A. Poe, Katherine A. Porter, Saki, William Saroyan, John Steinbeck, Carl Stephenson, Jesse Stuart, James Thurber, Leo Tolstoy, Mark Twain, Henry Van Dyke, Kurt Vonnegut, Jr., Maurice Walsh, Jessamyn West, Oscar Wilde, P. G. Wodehouse, Thomas Wolfe; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Reasons for the popularity of the short story

Characteristic elements of the short story

Types of short stories

Relationship of plot to setting and character development

Recognition of appropriateness of outcomes

Unity in a short story through an underlying truth, a theme, a mood, an impression, or a central point

Identification of personal problems and experiences with those of characters in stories

Written Expression

(Text material will be selected from *Modern Grammar Composition 2*, Part I, Chapters 5, 8, 9, and 10, and the Texas Transparency Development Project Series, English 11, II - 1 through II - 7.)

Points of Emphasis

Differences between the conventions of spoken and written English

Vowel and consonant phonemes and their representation in writing

The relationship between intonation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language

Punctuation as a signal of the structure of the written language

Conventions or customs of punctuation in the written language

Conventions or customs of capitalization in the written language

Representation of stress in writing

From Mount Olympus

(Text material will be selected from Isaac Asimov, Words from the Myths; Sally Benson, Stories of Gods and Heroes; Thomas Bulfinch, Mythology; Padraic Colum, Myths of the World; Olivia Coolidge, Greek Myths, Legends of the North; H. R. Davidson, Gods and Myths of Northern Europe; Marion French, Myths and Legends of the Ages; Charles M. Gayley, The Classic Myths; Robert Graves, Greek Myths; Helene A. Guerber, Myths of Greece and Rome, Myths of Northern Lands; Edith Hamilton, The Greek Way, The Roman Way; Max J. Herzberg, Myths and Their Meaning; Homer, The Iliad, The Odyssey; Peter Lum, The Stars in Our Heaven; Myths and Folk Tales Around the World; Margaret Price, Myths and Enchantment Tales; Herbert Rose, Handbook of Greek Mythology; W. H. D. Rouse, Gods, Heroes, and Men of Ancient Greece;



Francis E. Sabin, Classical Myths That Live Today; Vergil, The Aeneid; Herman Wechsler, Gods and Goddesses in Art and Legend; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Origin and significance of myths

Characteristics and responsibilities of gods, goddesses, and heroes

Allusions to myths in language, literature, art, music, science, and business

Comparison of principal figures in Greek, Roman, and Norse mythology

Comparison of figures from mythology with modern legendary or folk heroes

Comparison of explanation of natural phenomena in myths and legends with modern explanations of such phenomena

Living Drama

(Text material will be selected from Adventures in Appreciation; Literary Cavalcade; John L. Balderston, Berkeley Square; James M. Barrie, The Admirable Crichton, Peter Pan, What Every Woman Knows; Rudolf Besier, The Barretts of Wimpole Street; Jerome Chodorov and Joseph Fields, Junior Miss; Marc Connelly, Green Pastures; Owen Davis, Icebound, Mr. and Mrs. North; Zona Gale, Miss Lula Bett, Neighbors; Paul Gallico, The Snow Goose; John Galsworthy, Justice, Loyalties, Strife; John P. Goggan, Teahouse of the August Moon; Frances Goodrich and Albert Hackett, The Diary of Anne Frank; DuBose Heyward, Porgy and Bess; Laurence Housman, Victoria Regina; George S. Kaufman, The Man Who Came to Dinner; Joseph O. Kesselring, Arsenic and Old Lace; Norman Krasna, Dear Ruth; Maurice Maeterlinck, The Blue Bird; Anne Nichols, Abie's Irish Rose; Paul Osborn, On Borrowed Time; Terrence M. Rattigan, The Winslow Boy; Lynn Riggs, Green Grow the Lilacs; Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein, Oklahoma, South Pacific; Edmond Rostand, Cyrano de Bergerac; Doré Schary, Sunrise at Campobello; William Shakespeare, As You Like It, Julius Caesar, A Midsummer Night's Dream, Merchant of Venice, Romeo and Juliet, The Taming of the Shrew, The Tempest, Twelfth Night; John Van Druten, I Remember Mama; Sutton Vane, Outward Bound; Oscar Wilde, The Importance of Being Earnest, Lady Windermere's Fan; Emlyn Williams, The Corn Is Green; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Drama as a problem in human affairs involving men and women in crisis

Discovering the dramatist's thesis

The protagonist and the antagonist

The time and place of the action

The time - sequence of the events

The precipitation of the conflict

The solution to the conflict

Basic values of life as reflected in drama

Life and times of Shakespeare

Comparison of the Elizabethan theater and the modern theater



Genius of Shakespeare

Famous Shakespearean actors and actresses

Human Interaction Through Communication

(Text material will be selected from Language in Thought and Action, Second Edition.)

Points of Emphasis

The relationships between language, thought, and behavior

The symbolic process

The relation between language and reality

Reports, inferences, and judgments

The language of social cohesion

The informative and affective connotations of language

The process of abstracting

Self-Expression Through the Essay

(Text material will be selected from Adventures in Appreciation; Scope, Practical English, Literary Cavalcade; SRA Reading Laboratory; newspapers; essays by Franklin P. Adams, Joseph Addison, Francis Bacon, Charles W. Beebe, Robert C. Benchley, Heywood C. Broun, Rachel L. Carson, Bennett A. Cerf, G. K. Chesterton, Irvin S. Cobb, Alistair Cook, Jacques-Yves Costeau, Elmer H. Davis, Clarence Day, Bernard A. DeVoto, Raymond Ditmars, Clifton Fadiman, E. M. Forster, William H. Hudson, Helen Keller, John F. Kieran, Charles Lamb, Wolfgang Langewiesche, Stephen Leacock, Lin Yutang, Anne M. Lindberg, Edward V. Lucas, H. L. Mencken, Michel de Montaigne, Christopher D. Morley, Donald C. Peattie, Will Rogers, Theodore Roosevelt, Richard Steele, James Thurber, Edward A. Weeks, E. B. White; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual library.)

Points of Emphasis

Distinctive qualities of the essay

Historical development of the essay form

Current popularity of the essay

Familiar and expository essays

Human elements revealed through essays

Composition

(Text material will be selected from *Modern Grammar and Composition 2*, Part II, Chapters 4 and 5.)

Points of Emphasis

Description

Narration

Exposition

Argumentation



TENTH GRADE, ENGLISH 4

Adequate practice in oral expression and composition

Frequent practice in written expression and composition

Continuation of the development of basic understandings concerning characteristics of language, differences between the conventions of spoken and written English, vowel and consonant, phonemes and their representation in writing, the relationship between intonation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language, sentence patterns, basic sentence elements, form classes, and coordination and subordination

Everyday Life in Long Fiction

(Text material will be selected from one or more of the following novels: Bess S. Aldrich, A Lantern in Her Hand; Paul Annixter, Swiftwater; Sholem Asch, East River, Moses, The Nazarene; Jane Austen, Emma, Mansfield Park, Northanger Abbey, Persuasion, Pride and Prejudice, Sense and Sensibility; Margaret C. Barnes, King's Fool, Mary of Carisbrooke, Tudor Rose; James Barrie, Little Minister; Margaret E. Bell, Watch for a Tall White Sail; Edward Bellamy, Looking Backward; Richard Blackmore, Lorna Doone; Charlotte Brontë, Jane Eyre; Emily Brontë, Wuthering Heights; Pearl Buck, The Good Earth; Edward Bulwer-Lytton, The Last Days of Pompeii; Willa Cather, Death Comes for the Archbishop, My Antonia, O Pioneers, One of Ours, Shadows on the Rock; Bruce Catton, Banners at Shenandoah, Glory Road, Mr. Lincoln's Army, Stillness at Appomattox; Rebecca Caudill, Far-Off Land, Tree of Freedom; Marchette Chute, Invocent Wayfaring, Wonderful Winter; Wilkie Collins, The Moonstone; Joseph Conrad, Lord Jim, The Secret Sharer, Typhoon; James F. Cooper, The Deerslayer, The Last of the Mohicans, The Pathfinders, The Spy; Thomas Costain, The Black Rose, The Moneyman, The Silver Chalice, The Last Love; Stephen Crane, The Red Badge of Courage; A. J. Cronin, The Citadel, The Green Years, The Keys of the Kingdom, The Northern Light, A Song of Sixpence, A Thing of Beauty; Daniel Defoe, Robinson Crusoe; Mazo De La Roche, The Jalna Series; Charles Dickens, Barnaby Rudge, Bleak House, A Christmas Carol, David Copperfield, Nicholas Nickleby, The Old Curiosity Shop, Oliver Twist, Pickwick Papers, A Tale of Two Cities; Lloyd C. Douglas, The Big Fisherman, The Robe; Arthur Conan Doyle, Adventures of Sherlock Holmes, The White Company; Alexandre Dumas, The Count of Monte Cristo, The Three Musketeers; Daphne DuMaurier, The Glass Blowers, My Cousin Rachel, Rebecca; Walter D. Edmonds, Drums Along the Mohawk, Rome Haul, Wilderness Clearing; George Eliot, Adam Bede, Mill on the Floss, Silas Marner; Esther Forbes, Johnny Tremain, Rainbow on the Road; C. S. Forester, The African Queen, The Captain from Connecticut, Captain Horatio Hornblower, The Good Shepherd, Mr. Midshipman Hornblower; John Galsworthy, The Forsyte Saga; Rumer Godden, A Candle for St. Jude, China Court, An Episode of Sparrows, Greengage Summer; William Golding, Lord of the Flies, The Inheritors; Oliver Goldsmith, Vicar of Wakefield; Elizabeth Goudge, The City of Bells, The Dean's Watch, Green Dolphin Street; Thomas Hardy, Far from the Madding Crowd, Mayor of Casterbridge, The Return of the Native, Tess of the D'Urbervilles; Ernest Hemingway, The Old Man and the Sea; John Hersey, A Bell for Adano, A Single Pebble, The Wall; James Hilton, Goodbye, Mr. Chips, Lost Horizon, Random Harvest; Paul Horgan, A Distant Trumpet; William H. Hud-



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son, Green Mansions; Victor Hugo, The Hunchback of Notre Dame, Les Miserables; MacKinlay Kantor, The Voice of Bugle Ann; Harold Keith, Komanticia, Rifles for Watie; Charles Kingsley, Westward Ho! Rudyard Kipling, Kim, The Light That Failed; John Knowles, A Separate Peace; Joseph Krumgold, And Now Miguel; Jean Latham, Carry On, Mr. Bowditch, This Dear-Bought Land; Harper Lee, To Kill a Mockingbird; Richard Llewellyn, How Green Was My Valley, Up into the Singing Mountain; John Masefield, Bird of Dawning, Jim Davis; Charles B. Nordhoff and James N. Hall, The Bounty Trilogy; Scott O'Dell, Island of the Blue Dolphins; Alan Paton, Cry, The Beloved Country; Marjorie Rawlings, Cross Creek, The Yearling; Erich Remarque, All Quiet on the Western Front; Conrad Richter, The Fields, The Lady, The Light in the Forest, The Sea of Grass, The Town, The Trees; Kenneth L. Roberts, Arundel, Captain Caution, Northwest Passage, Rabble in Arms; Ole Rolvaag, Giants in the Earth; Rafael Sabatini, The Carolinian; Jack Schaefer, The Plainsman, Shane; Walter Scott, The Heart of Midlothian, Ivanhoe, Kenilworth, Quentin Durward, Rob Roy; Samuel Shellabarger, Captain from Castile, The King's Cavalier, The Prince of Foxes; Henryk Sienkiewicz, Quo Vadis; Elizabeth G. Speare, The Bronze Bow, Calico Captive, The Witch of Blackbird Pond; John Steinbeck, The Moon Is Down, The Pearl, The Red Pony; Robert L. Stevenson, Black Arrow, Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde, Kidnapped, The Master of Ballentrae, Treasure Island; Irving Stone, The Agony and the Ecstasy, Love Is Eternal, The President's Lady; Jan Struther, Mrs. Miniver; Jonathan Swift, Gulliver's Travels; William M. Thackeray, Henry Esmond, Vanity Fair; Agnes Turnbull, The Bishop's Mantle, The Gown of Glory, King's Orchard; Mark Twain, A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court, Huckleberry Finn, The Prince and the Pauper, Tom Sawyer; Lew Wallace, Ben Hur; Jessamyn West, Cress Delahanty, The Friendly Persuasion; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Enduring qualities of great fiction

The novel as a mirror of life and times

Human emotions revealed by characters

Discovering the author's theme

Discovering the author's organization, design, or pattern

Discovering the author's mood or style

Grammar, the Organization of Language

(Text material will be the Texas Transparency Development Project Series, English 11, I - 1 through I - 49.)

Points of Emphasis

Order of adjectives

Verb phrase structure

Tense formula

Question transformation

Negative transformation

Emphatic transformation



Passive transformation
There transformation
WH- transformation
Ellipsis
Relative transformation

Development and Change in Language

(Text material will be the Texas Transparency Development Project Series, English 11, IV-1 through IV-9; III-1 through III-10; American College Dictionary; American English Usage; A Dictionary of Contemporary American Usage; Modern English Usage; Standard College Dictionary; Webster's New World Dictionary; Webster's Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary; and Webster's Third New International Dictionary.)

Points of Emphasis

Language in Europe

Old English

American English

Levels of usage

Word choice and geography

Pronunciation and geography

Major dialect areas of the United States

Grammar, the Organization of Language

(Text material will be selected from Modern Grammar and Composition 2, Part I, Chapters 4, 6, and 7.)

Points of Emphasis

Form of verbals

Verbal phrases

Functions of verbals

Subject-predicate relationship

Complications of agreement

Personal pronouns as substitute words

Subordinators as substitute words

Reflexive pronouns as substitute words

Determiners as substitute words

Complications of usage

Composition

(Text material will be selected from Modern Grammar and Composition 2, Part II, Chapter 2.)

Points of Emphasis

Subordination and coordination



Parallel structure
Balanced sentences
Loose and periodic sentences

The Enjoyment of Poetry

(Text material will be selected from Adventures in Appreciation; Literary Cavalcade; the poetry of Maxwell Anderson, W. H. Auden, Rosemary Benét, Stephen V. Benét, Robert Burns, Lord Byron, Bliss Carman, Lewis Carroll, Madison Cawein, Elizabeth Coatsworth, Robert P. Tristram Coffin, Stephen Crane, Countée Cullen, e. e. cummings, Emily Dickinson, Kenneth Fearing, Robert Frost, Kahlil Gibran, W. S. Gilbert, Arthur Guiterman, Roy Helton, A. E. Housman, Richard Hovey, Leigh Hunt, Ethel Jacobson, Rudyard Kipling, Richard Le-Gallienne, James R. Lowell, Ogden Nash, Robert Nathan, Wilfred Owen, Padraic Pearse, Edgar A. Poe, Carl Sandburg, George Santayana, Alan Seeger, Robert Service, Hildegarde Swift, Rabindranath Tagore, Sara Teasdale, Alfred, Lord Tennyson, Francis Thompson, Louis Untermeyer, Mark Van Doren, Walt Whitman, Richard Wilbur; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Poetry, a medium of expression

Devices or tools used by poets - rhythm, rhyme, meter, figures of speech, sounds, images

Inspiration and pleasure from reading poetry

Development of personal tastes and interests

Opportunities for self-expression

Lexicography

(Text material will be selected from Modern Grammar and Composition 2, Part II, Chapter 1; Language in Thought and Action, Chapter 4; American College Dictionary; American English Usage; Current American Usage; A Dictionary of Contemporary American Usage; Modern English Usage; Standard College Dictionary; Webster's New World Dictionary; Webster's Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary; and Webster's Third New International Dictionary.)

Points of Emphasis

Source of a dictionary's authority

The making of a dictionary

The dictionary as a guide to meaning, to other language skills, and to general knowledge

Sources of the vocabulary of American English

The making of words: compounding, back-formation, shortening, blending; acronyms, words from names

Changing meanings and values of words: generalization, specialization, elevation, degradation, euphemism, hyperbole, metaphor, folk etymology, slang

Composition

(Text material will be selected from Modern Grammar and Composition 2, Part II, Chapters 3 and 6.)

Points of Emphasis

Learning to categorize

Studying the organization of some one else's material

Organizing and outlining one's own ideas

Writing a news story

Writing a feature story

Writing an editorial

Writing a column

Character Study Through Biography

(Text material will be selected from Adventures in Appreciation; autobiographies and biographies by Roland H. Bainton, Paul Brickhill, Dorothy Canfield, Mary E. Chase, Marchette Chute, Jonathan W. Daniels, Marcia Davenport, Herbert Gambrell, Joseph Gollomb, Francis Hackett, Hildegarde Hawthorne, Will James, Clara Judson, Helen Keller, Joseph Kugelmas, André Maurois, Ralph Moody, Plutarch, Santha Rama Rau, Ann Roos, Carl Sandburg, Lincoln Steffens, Carl Van Doren, Mark Van Doren, Elizabeth G. Vining, Jade Snow Wong, Cecil Woodham-Smith, Stefan Zweig; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual library.)

Points of Emphasis

Nature of biographical writing

Values to be gained from reading biography

Common elements in human experience – past and present

-Characteristics essential to successful living

Individual responsibility in a democratic society

Areas for Learning Experiences

ELEVENTH GRADE, ENGLISH 5

Appraisal of Learning Needs

Informal "Reading Inventory," in which each student expresses his attitudes toward reading and his personal evaluation of his reading skills

Informal problems in listening, speaking, reading, and writing, from which the teacher will analyze each student's strengths and weaknesses

Analysis of specific elements of each student's oral and written usage which differ from varieties of the prestige dialect

Diagnostic spelling test

Cumulative record study by the teacher of the reading achievement scores, the language achievement scores, the mental maturity scores, the Iowa Test of Edu-



cational Developmental scores, the Cooperative English Test scores, and other pertinent data of selected students

Oral Expression and Composition

(This unit should continue the development of ideas and skills which make oral expression and composition an integral part of the English Language Arts program for the year. Adequate time should be allowed for students to develop confidence and fluency in speaking.)

Points of Emphasis

Discussion — leading, assisting others to speak, involving all, resolving conflict, and controlling the "talker"

Oral interpretation – understanding the function of phrasing, cadence, and stress in communicating ideas, mood, or tone to an audience

Choral speaking

Dramatization of plays

Parliamentary procedure

Preparing and delivering a speech — choosing a subject, gathering material, organizing ideas, outlining, and speaking from an outline

Speaking to convince and persuade others

Grammar, the Organization of Language

(Text material will be selected from Modern Grammar and Composition 3, Part I, Chapters 1, 2, and 3.)

Points of Emphasis

A brief history of grammar

The physical characteristics of the sentence

The basic sentence patterns

Modifiers

Coordination

Subordination

Apposition

Form classes

Roots of Freedom

(Text material will be selected from Adventures in American Literature; the writings of John Adams, William Bradford, Anne Bradstreet, William Byrd, St. John de Crèvecoeur, Jonathan Edwards, Benjamin Franklin, Philip Freneau, Alexander Hamilton, Patrick Henry, Francis Hopkinson, John Jay, Thomas Jefferson, Sarah K. Knight, James Madison, Cotton Mather, Increase Mather, Richard Mather, Thomas Paine, John Smith, Edward Taylor, George Washington, Roger Williams; Marckwardt's American English, Nist's A Structural History of English; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)



Points of Emphasis

Colonial and Revolutionary background of literature

Reflection in early American literature of ideas and ideals which prompted the founding of our country

Types of writing which prevailed during the first two centuries in America

Great political documents and speeches of the period

Meaning of freedom and democracy as discussed by writers and orators of the period

Characteristics of the language of the colonists

Differences between seventeenth-century and twentieth-century prose

Indian, French, Spanish, Dutch, and German influences in word borrowings

The colonial lag in American English

Written Expression

(Text material will be selected from Modern Grammar and Composition 3, Part I, Chapter 6.)

Points of Emphasis

Differences between the conventions of spoken and written English

Vowel and consonant phonemes and their representation in writing

The relationship between intonation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language

The relationship between syntax and punctuation

Conventions or customs of punctuation in the written language

Conventions or customs of capitalization in the written language

Representation of stress in writing

Literary Pioneers

(Text material will be selected from Adventures in American Literature; the writings of William C. Bryant, John C. Calhoun, James F. Cooper, Alexis C. de Tocqueville, Nathaniel Hawthorne, Washington Irving, Herman Melville, Edgar A. Poe, William H. Prescott, Daniel Webster; Marckwardt's American English, Nist's A Structural History of English; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Changes in America which led to the demand for a native literature

Basic differences between the writings of the early nineteenth century and those of earlier times

Themes and qualities of literature which are associated with the term "romantic"

Literary forms which are characteristically American

The development of the characteristics of functional change, compounding, back formation, and word blending in American English

Dialects

(Text material will be selected from Dialects USA; American College Dictionary; American English Usage; Current American Usage; A Dictionary of Contemporary American Usage; Modern English Usage; Standard College Dictionary; Webster's New World Dictionary; Webster's Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary; and Webster's Third New International Dictionary.)

Points of Emphasis

Dialect differences and their causes

Linguistic geography in the U.S.A.

Forces underlying dialect distribution in the U.S.A.

The main dialect areas of the U.S.A.

The influence of foreign language settlements

Dialect in literature

Composition

(Text material will be selected from Modern Grammar and Composition 3, Part II, Chapter 1; and Language in Thought and Action, Second Edition.)

Points of Emphasis

Defining terms

Providing supporting evidence

Qualifying generalizations

Solving problems

Recognizing fallacies

Emotional appeals

Levels of abstraction

Two-valued orientation versus multi-valued orientation

Romantic Spirit in Poetry

(Text material will be selected from Adventures in American Literature; the writings of Stephen C. Foster, Paul H. Hayne, Oliver W. Holmes, Sidney Lanier, Henry W. Longfellow, James R. Lowell, John H. Payne, James W. Riley, Henry Timrod, John G. Whittier; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Patterns of romantic poetry

The "genteel tradition" of New England in literature

The European influence on American writers

The effect of war on the literary promise of the South

Problems of Usage

(Text material will be selected from Modern Grammar and Composition 3, Part I, Chapter 4; American College Dictionary; American English Usage; Current



American Usage; Standard College Dictionary; Webster's New World Dictionary; Webster's Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary; and Webster's Third New International Dictionary.)

Points of Emphasis

Choices of language forms, related to social conventions and to social distinctions Differences between the conventions of spoken and written English

Cultural levels and functional varieties of English

Verb usage

Pronoun usage

Adjective - adverb usage

Subject - verb agreement

Relating Grammar and Composition

(Text material will be selected from Modern Grammar and Composition 3, Part I, Chapter 5.)

Points of Emphasis

Relating knowledge of the structure of English to the problems of writing

Absolute and introductory structures in sentences

Loose and periodic sentences

Unity and coherence in the paragraph

Word power

Democratic Vistas

(Text material will be selected from Adventures in American Literature; the writings of Amos B. Alcott, John J. Audubon, Richard H. Dana, Ralph W. Emerson, Robert E. Lee, Abraham Lincoln, Francis Parkman, Elizabeth Peabody, Sophia Peabody, Sarah E. Royce, Henry D. Thoreau, Mark Twain, Stanley Vestal, Daniel Webster, Walt Whitman; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Growth of democracy accompanying the advancing frontiers

Aspects of national life and writings which encouraged the growth of democratic ideals and practices

Frontier influences

Evidences of democratic aspirations in public affairs and in individual ideals

Subjects and themes used by writers which reflect changes in thought and action

The voice of the common people in literature

Ideals of America's great leaders of democracy which are evident in thought and life today

Contributions of such magazines as American Mercury, Southern Review, and Kenyon Review



ELEVENTH GRADE, ENGLISH 6

Adequate practice in oral expression and composition

Frequent practice in written expression and composition

Continuation of the development of basic understandings concerning characteristics of language, vowel and consonant phonemes and their representation in writing, the relationship between intonation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language, sentence patterns, basic sentence elements, form classes, coordination and subordination, and transformation.

Close-up of Great Americans

(Text materials will be selected from Adventures in American Literature; biographies by John E. Bakeless, Ray S. Baker, John Beaty, Laura Benét, Catherine D. Bowen, Claude Bowers, Van Wyck Brooks, Henry S. Canby, Alice C. Desmond, Babette Deutsch, Esther Forbes, Douglas S. Freeman, Thomas F. Galt, Alden Hatch, Hildegarde Hawthorne, Joseph A. Kugelmass, Gladys Malvern, William H. Meadowcroft, Charles F. Oursler, Catherine O. Peare, Carl Sandburg, Helen E. Waite, Janet Whitney, Laura Wood, Elizabeth Yates; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Biographies of early American patriots and pioneers

Values to modern America in the experiences of citizens of the past

Personal qualities of leading Americans which have contributed to their success

Inspiration and high ideals evidenced in the lives of our nation's leaders

Biography as a m'rror of social, scientific, political, and cultural development

Contributions to American culture by leaders in thought and action (in the professions, in industry, in government, among women, and in minority groups)

Evaluation of the qualifications of biographers

Important collective biographies as reference tools

American Mosaic

(Text materials will be selected from Adventures in American Literature; the writings of James C. Bowman, George W. Cable, Carl L. Carmer, Charles E. Craddock, J. Frank Dobie, Edward Eggleston, Mary E. Freeman, Hamlin Garland, Joel C. Harris, Bret Harte, O. Henry, Burl Ives, Helen H. Jackson, Marquis James, Sarah O. Jewett, Richard M. Johnston, Grace E. King, John A. Lomax, Jack London, Augustus B. Longstreet, Thomas N. Page, Marjorie Rawlings, Ole Rölvaag, Booth Tarkington, Maurice Thompson; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Diverse cultures which have contributed to America Influences and elements which unify diverse America

Oral literature of America

Nature writers describing physical characteristics of various sections



Stereotypes in life and literature

Distinctive contributions of different sections to the pattern of American life

Characteristics of various regions represented in American literature

Types of writing best suited to the presentation of sectional differences

Literary picture of America at work

Humorous literature

Significant awards for various types of writing

Précis Writing

(Text material will be selected from Modern Grammar and Composition 3, Part II, Chapter 2.)

Points of Emphasis

The process of précis writing

Pitfalls in précis writing

Specific activities in précis writing

Applications of the process of précis writing

Acknowledging original sources

Modern Writers of Fiction

(Text material will be selected from Adventures in American Literature; Literary Cavalcade; short stories by such authors as Stephen V. Benét, Ray Bradbury, Maureen Daly, William Faulkner, Jack Finney, Ernest Hemingway, Bill Mauldin, Conrad Richter, John Steinbeck, Jesse Stuart, James Thurber, Jessamyn West; Paul Annixter, Swiftwater; Pearl Buck, The Good Earth, The Living Reed; Willa Cather, Death Comes for the Archbishop, My Antonia, O Pioneers, One of Ours, Shadows on the Rock; Stephen Crane, Red Badge of Courage; Edna Ferber, Cimarron, Giant, Ice Palace, Show Boat, So Big; Vardis Fisher, Tale of Valor; Esther Forbes, Johnny Tremain; A. B. Guthrie, Big Sky, The Way West; Ernest Hemingway, The Old Man and the Sea; William D. Howells, The Rise of Silas Lapham; Tom Lea, Brave Bulls, The Hands of Cantu; Sinclair Lewis, Arrowsmith, Babbitt, Main Street; John Marquand, Point of No Return, Sincerely, Willis Wayde, So Little Time; James A. Michener, Bridges at Toko-Ri, Hawaii, The Source; Margaret Mitchell, Gone With the Wind; Christopher Morley, Parnassus on Wheels; Conrad Richter, The Fields, The Lady, The Light in the Forest, The Sea of Grass, The Town, The Trees; Upton Sinclair, The Jungle; John Steinbeck, The Moon Is Down, The Pearl, The Red Pony; Jessamyn West, Cress Delahanty, The Friendly Persuasion; Edith Wharton, Age of Innocence, Ethan Frome, House of Mirth; Thornton Wilder, The Bridge of San Luis Rey, Ides of March; Herman Wouk, The Caine Mutiny, City Boy; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Changes in American life reflected in the fiction of the twentieth century

Distinctive differences and similarities of the contemporary short story and novel

Realism and romance in the two types of writing



Outstanding writers and special contributions of each

Basic themes and primary types 'orks of various authors

Creative Writing

(Text material will be selected from Modern Grammar and Composition 3, Part II, Chapter 4.)

Points of Emphasis

The elements of place, choice, and persons in fiction

Conversation

Action

Conflict

Rhythmic effects

Imaginative effects

Thought Trends

(Text material will be selected from Adventures in American Literature; Literary Cavalcade; SRA Laboratory; essays by Robert Benchley, Louis Bromfield, John M. Brown, John Burroughs, Douglas Bush, Hodding Carter, Bennett Cerf, James S. Childers, Irving S. Cobb; James B. Conant, Norman Cousins, Samuel M. Crothers, Bernard A. DeVoto, Finley P. Dunne, Albert Einstein, John Erskine, Clifton Fadiman, Alfred U. Griswold, Shirley Jackson, William James, Jean Kerr, Joseph W. Krutch, David E. Lilienthal, Walter Lippmann, Edward V. Lucas, Hamilton W. Mabie, Betty H. MacDonald, Henry L. Mencken, Christopher Morley, John Muir, George J. Nathan, Harry A. Overstreet, Dorothy Parker, William L. Phelps, Ernest T. Pyle, Agnes Repplier, Knute Rockne, Will Rogers, Theodore Roosevelt, Albert Schweitzer, James V. Sheean, Logan P. Smith, Frank Sullivan, James Thurber, Mary G. Webb, Dixon Wecter, Edward A. Weeks, E. B. White, William A. White; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Growing importance of history and essay

Conspicuous swings in national spirit

Changes in trend of thinking

Influences affecting reading tastes and habits

Ideals and modern social concepts evident in serious writing

Qualities of character and personal leadership in times of crisis

Importance of mass modes of communication in perpetuating American ideals

The Research Process

(Text material will be selected from Modern Grammar and Composition 3, Part II, Chapters 3 and 5.)

Points of Emphasis

Importance of the research process in life

Evaluating sources of authority

Library material
Limiting a topic
Gathering material
Organizing and writing a brief report
Revising and rewriting

New Voices in Poetry

(Text material will be selected from Adventures in American Literature; Literary Cavalcade; poems by Franklin P. Adams, Dorothy Aldis, Richard Armour, Stephen V. Benét, William R. Benét, Anna H. Branch, Gwendolyn Brooks, Sterling A. Brown, John Ciardi, Emily Dickinson, George Dillon, Hilda Doolittle, John Drinkwater, Eugene Field, John G. Fletcher, Robert Frost, Louis Ginsberg, Arthur Guiterman, Alice C. Henderson, Langston Hughes, Robinson Jeffers, James W. Johnson, Elias Lieberman, Vachel Lindsay, Amy Lowell, Robert Lowell, Phyllis McGinley, Archibald MacLeish, Edwin Markham, Don Marquis, Edgar L. Masters, Theodore Maynard, Edna St. Vincent Millay, Joaquin Miller, Harriet Monroe, William V. Moody, Marianne Moore, Ogden Nash, Ezra Pound, John C. Ransom, Edward A. Robinson, Carl Sandburg, Alan Seeger, Karl Shapiro, John B. Tabb, Allen Tate, Sara Teasdale, Eunice S. Tietjens, Mark Van Doren, Pichard Wilbur, Elinor Wylie; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Forerunners of the striking revolution in poetry following the turn of the century Principal differences between traditional patterns and the new forms of the twentieth century

Realistic and romantic qualities in contemporary verse

Leading writers of the new poetry and distinctive qualities of each

Influences of the new poetry

Lexicography

(Text material will be selected from American College Dictionary; American English Usage; A Dictionary of Contemporary American Usage; Modern English Usage; Standard College Dictionary; Webster's New World Dictionary; Webster's Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary; and Webster's Third New International Dictionary.)

Points of Emphasis

The beginnings of English dictionaries
The development of dictionaries in America
Sources of authority of dictionaries

Kinds of dictionaries

Entries

Orthography

Pronunciation

Form classes

Etymology



Definitions
Usage labels
Synonyms
Encyclopedic information

Contemporary Drama

(Text material will be selected from Adventures in American Literature; Literary Cavalcade; the plays of Maxwell Anderson, Norman Corwin, Moss Hart, Alan J. Lerner, Thornton Wilder; Archibald MacLeish, J. B.; Arthur Miller, The Crucible; Eugene O'Neill, Ah, Wilderness, Anna Christie, Beyond the Horizon, Emperor Jones, Where the Cross Is Made; Robert Sherwood, Abe Lincoln in Illinois, The Petrified Forest, There Shall Be No Night; Tennessee Williams, Glass Menagerie; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Changes in purpose and style of dramatic writing
Influences responsible for these changes
Drama as a reflection of contemporary life
Influences of the Little Theater Movement
Rise of the one-act play
Development of the radio play
Development of the television play
Chief figures in twentieth-century drama

Areas for Learning Experiences

TWELFTH GRADE, ENGLISH 7

Appraisal of Learning Needs

Informal "Reading Inventory," in which each student expresses his attitudes toward reading and his personal evaluation of his reading skills

Informal problems in listening, speaking, reading, and writing, from which the teacher will analyze each student's strengths and weaknesses

Analysis of specific elements of each student's oral and written usage which differ from varieties of the prestige dialect

Diagnostic spelling test

Cumulative record study by the teacher of the reading achievement scores, the language achievement scores, the mental maturity scores, the Iowa Test of Educational Development scores, the Cooperative English Test scores, and other pertinent data of selected students

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Points of Emphasis

The sounds of English

The forms of English

The syntax of English

Background of English Language and Literature

(Text material will be selected from Adventures in English Literature; the writings of King Alfred, Bede, Caedmon, Cynewulf; Beowulf; "The Seafarer"; history of English in Webster's New International Dictionary, Second Edition, Standard College Dictionary, Webster's New World Dictionary; Baugh's A History of the English Language, Nist's A Structural History of English, Pyles' The Origins and Development of the English Language, Robertson and Cassidy's The Development of Modern English; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

The languages in England before English

Some characteristics of Old English

The dialects of Old English

Foreign influences on Old English

Comparison of the Anglo-Saxon usage of the kenning and alliteration with modern figures of speech

Beowulf as a reflection of the ideas of the people and the customs of the era

King Alfred, the father of English prose



Written Expression

(Text material will be selected from Resources for Modern Grammar and Composition 4, Part III; American College Dictionary; American English Usage; Current American Usage; A Dictionary of Contemporary American Usage; Modern English Usage; Standard College Dictionary; Webster's New World Dictionary; Webster's Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary; and Webster's Third New International Dictionary.)

Points of Emphasis

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The relationship between intonation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language

The relationship between syntax and punctuation

Conventions of punctuation in the written language

Conventions of capitalization in the written language

Representation of stress in writing

Problems of usage related to verbs, pronouns, adjectives, and adverbs

Middle English, Period of Change

(Text material will be selected from Adventures in English Literature; the writings of William Caxton, William Langland, Thomas Malory, John Wyclif; English and Scottish ballads; Everyman; Sir Gawain and the Green Knight; Geoffrey Chaucer, "The Canon's Yeoman's Tale," "The Clerk's Tale," "The Knight's Tale," "The Man of Law's Tale," "The Pardoner's Tale," "The Prioress' Tale," "The Squire's Tale," "The Wife of Bath's Tale," history of English in Webster's New International Dictionary, Second Edition, Standard College Dictionary, Webster's New World Dictionary; Baugh's History of the English Language, Nist's A Structural History of English, Pyles' The Origin and Development of the English Language, Robertson and Cassidy's The Development of Modern English; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

The effect of the Norman Conquest on English

The re-establishment of English after the Norman Conquest

Some changes in English – sound changes, the decay of inflectional endings, and the loss of grammatical gender

The Middle English dialects

The rise of London English as Standard English

The importance of oral literature in the lives of the people

Development of the Arthurian legends

Translations of the English Bible

Miracle, mystery, and morality plays

Chaucer and the Canterbury Tales



of John Bunyan, John Dryden, John Milton, Samuel Pepys; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Puritanism as a religious, moral, and political force

Protests for the rights of men in Milton's prose

Moral reawakening as evidenced in Paradise Lost and Pilgrim's Progress

Milton's poetry

New types of prose, written by John Dryden and Samuel Pepys

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Written Composition

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Points of Emphasis

The writing process

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Form

Tools

Description

Narration

Exposition

Argumentation

Précis

Research paper

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Points of Emphasis

Attempts to reduce the English language to rules and to set up a standard for correct usage

Attempts to remove supposed defects from the English language and to introduce certain improvements into it

Attempts to fix it permanently in the desired form

Politics and satire

Coffee houses and clubs

Rise of English journalism

The essay

English writers and the American colonies

Laughing comedy

Contrast between the heroic couplet and the beginnings of romanticism in poetry

Individualism in Thought and Expression

(Text material will be selected from Adventures in English Literature; the writings of Jane Austen, Lord Byron, Samuel T. Coleridge, Thomas DeQuincey, William Hazlitt, Thomas Hood, John Keats, Charles Lamb, Walter S. Landor, Walter Scott, Percy B. Shelley, Robert Southey, William Wordsworth; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

The influence of political and social problems upon British thought

New attitudes toward the common man

Meaning of romanticism

New treatments of nature

Use of medieval material

Lyric high-water mark

The familiar essay

New types of fiction

The Victorian Age

(Text material will be selected from Adventures in English Literature; the writings of Matthew Arnold, Richard Blackmore, Charlotte Brontë, Emily Brontë, Elizabeth Browning, Robert Browning. Thomas Carlyle, Arthur H. Clough, Charles Dickens, Benjamin Disraeli, George Eliot, Edward Fitzgerald, William S. Gilbert, Thomas Hardy, William E. Henley, Gerard M. Hopkins, W. H. Hudson. Thomas H. Huxley, Henry James, Charles Kingsley, Rudyard Kipling, Thomas B. Macaulay, George Meredith, William Morris, John H. Newman, Charles Reade, Christina Rossetti, Dante G. Rossetti, John Ruskin, Robert L. Stevenson, Algernon C. Swinburne, Alfred Tennyson, William M. Thackeray, Anthony Trollope; history of English in Webster's New International Dictionary, Second Edition, Standard College Dictionary, Webster's New World Dictionary, Baugh's A History of the English Language, Nist's A Structural History of English,



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Points of Emphasis

The influence of democratic processes and of improved transportation and communication upon nineteenth-century English

Increased significance of the forms of English spoken in the United States and in the colonies

Influence of science, technology, and other intellectual pursuits upon vocabulary The Oxford English Dictionary

Development of verb-adverb combinations

Changes in usage

Significance of the Victorian novelists in the development of the British novel

The reflection of the economic, social, and intellectual interests of the period in novels

The reflection of the economic, social, and intellectual interests of the period in essays and histories

Poetry of the Brownings and Tennyson

The Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood

Unto This Present

(Text material will be taken from Adventures in English Literature, the writings of W. H. Auden, James M. Barrie, Max Beerbohm, Hilaire Belloc, Arnold Bennett, Rudolf Besier, Elizabeth Bowen, Robert S. Eridges, Rupert Brooke, John Buchan, G. K. Chesterton, Winston Churchill, Marchette Chute, Joseph Conrad, Noel Coward, A. J. Cronin, Roald Dahl, William Davies, Walter De La Mare, John Drinkwater, Edward Dunsany, T. S. Eliot, C. S. Forester, E. M. Forster, Christopher Fry, John Galsworthy, W. W. Gibson, Nadine Gordimer, Edmund Gosse, Robert Graves, Philip Guedalla, Gilbert Highet, James Hilton, A. E. Housman, Laurence Housman, Aldous Huxley, W. W. Jacobs, Eric Knight, Stephen Leacock, E. V. Lucas, Rose Macaulay, Katherine Mansfield, John Masefield, Somerset Maugham, Alice Meynell, A. A. Milne, Alfred Noyes, Frank O'Connor, Seán O'Faoláin, George Orwell, J. B. Priestley, Arthur Quiller-Couch, Siegfried Sassoon, George B. Shaw, Edith Sitwell, Stephen Spender, James Stephens, Lytton Strachey, Jan Struther, John M. Synge, Dylan Thomas, Francis Thompson, Henry M. Tomlinson, Hugh Walpole, H. G. Wells, Oscar Wilde, Virginia Woolf, William B. Yeats; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Effects of World Wars on British life as reflected in its literature

Outstanding dramatists

Comparison of British and American short stories

The Celtic Revival

Lyric and narrative poetry



Development of the novel
Nobel Prize winners
Permanent themes of English literature

Areas for Learning Experiences

ADVANCED PLACEMENT, ENGLISH 9

Composition

(Text material will be selected from college rhetorics which are up-to-date in their language scholarship; American College Dictionary; American English Usage; Current American Usage; A Dictionary of Contemporary American Usage; Language in Thought and Action; Modern English Usage; Standard College Dictionary; Webster's New World Dictionary; Webster's Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary; and Webster's Third New International Dictionary.) Students will write a weekly expository or critical essay of 500 words or less whose content will be related to the analysis of literature.

Points of Emphasis

Development of a point of view with appropriate examples to support it

Levels of abstraction

The nature of logical fallacies

Inductive and deductive reasoning processes

Awareness of assumptions upon which statements depend

The differences between a fact and an interpretation of a fact

The difference between a fact and an opinion

The use of a restricted, unified, precise thesis sentence

Arrangement of the details which support the general thesis in the logical order of climax, of general to specific, of cause to effect, of effect to cause, of familiarity, of utility, of acceptability, of the dominant impression, and of psychological effect

Use of the closing sentence of one paragraph as a link with the topic sentence which introduces the next paragraph

The use of transitional paragraphs to sum up what has been said, to introduce one or more illustrations of points already made, or to foreshadow or state what will follow

The use of words and phrases that serve definite purposes of demonstration, addition, order or sequence, illustration, comparison, consequence or conclusion, contrast, repetition, space relation, and time relation

Rhetorical devices

The connotative value of words, phrases, and figures of speech

Essay

(Text material will be selected from the essays of Joseph Addison, Matthew Arnold, E. M. Forster, Charles Lamb, H. L. Mencken, Richard Steele, Lytton



Strachey, E. B. White, Virginia Woolf; Caroline Shrodes and others, Reading for Rhetoric; and the school library.)

Points of Emphasis

Close analysis of personal, expository, and critical essays

Patterns of structure of essays

Rhetorical devices

The connotative value of words, phrases, and figures of speech

Critical reading to reflect and to weigh

Creative reading to draw conclusions, to see relationships, and to make inferences Evaluation of the printed word and its source as to worth and authenticity

Drama

(One play will be chosen from each of these three groups: tragedy — Sophocles, Oedipus Rex, Antigone; William Shakespeare, Othello, Hamlet, Macbeth; comedy — William Shakespeare, As You Like It, A Midsummer Night's Dream, Much Ado About Nothing; Richard B. Sheridan, The School for Scandal; Oliver Goldsmith, She Stoops to Conquer; Oscar Wilde, The Importance of Being Earnest; George B. Shaw, Androcles and the Lion, Arms and the Man, Candida; other — William Shakespeare, Henry IV Part I, The Tempest; George B. Shaw, The Devil's Disciple, Saint Joan; Henrik Ibsen, An Enemy of the People.)

Points of Emphasis

Close analysis of three plays

Drama as a problem in human affairs involving men and women in crisis

Discovering the dramatist's thesis

The protagonist and the antagonist

The precipitation and the solution of the conflict

Techniques of characterization

Relationships between form and content

The precision with which a literary work expresses ideas, suggests specific attitudes, and evokes particular emotional responses

ADVANCED PLACEMENT, ENGLISH 10

Poetry

(Text material will be selected from the lyric and narrative poetry of Geoffrey Chaucer, Samuel T. Coleridge, Robert Frost, Thomas Hardy, A. E. Housman, John Keats, John Milton, John C. Ransom; Laurence Perrine, Sound and Sense; and the school library.)

Points of Emphasis

Close analysis of narrative and lyric poetry

Relationship between form and content

The precision with which a literary work expresses ideas, suggests specific attitudes, and evokes particular emotional responses



Understanding of how sound, rhythm, denotation, and connotation contribute to total meaning in poetry

Levels of symbolism

Poetry as a mirror of individual writers and the periods they represent Significant themes of American and British poetry

Short Story

(Text material will be selected from the short stories of Ambrose Bierce, William Faulkner, Nathaniel Hawthorne, Ernest Hemingway, Katherine Porter, John Steinbeck, Eudora Welty; Laurence Perrine, Story and Structure; the school library.)

Points of Emphasis

Close analysis of modern short stories

The relationship between form and content

The precision with which a literary work expresses ideas, suggests specific attitudes, and evokes particular emotional responses

Characteristic elements of the short story

Basic themes and primary types in the work of each author

Symbolism

Novel

(Text material will be selected from Jane Austen, Pride and Prejudice; Joseph Conrad, The Heart of Darkness, The Nigger of the Narcissus, Victory; Charles Dickens, Hard Times; Henry Fielding, Joseph Andrews; Thomas Hardy, The Mayor of Casterbridge; Nathaniel Hawthorne, The Scarlet Letter; Jonathan Swift, Gulliver's Travels; and Mark Twain, Huckleberry Finn.)

Points of Emphasis

Close analysis of one or more novels

Techniques of characterization

The relationship between form and content

The precision with which a literary work expresses ideas, suggests specific attitudes, and evokes particular emotional responses

Enduring qualities of great fiction

The novel as a mirror of life and times

Discovering the author's theme and design



ELEVENTH OR TWELFTH GRADE, BUSINESS ENGLISH (ENGLISH 6b) Scope

Business English is a one semester course planned especially for pupils who expect to enter the business world upon graduation from high school.

The course places particular emphasis on meeting the individual's immediate and future needs: effective speaking and writing techniques relating to accepted business procedures; requirements, responsibilities, and privileges of youthful employees; realistic self-appraisal regarding personal abilities and interests; vocational trends and opportunities; understanding of lexicography; and extension of reading interests in twentieth-century American fiction and drama.

The activities of the class consist of thinking, discovering, listening, speaking, reading, writing, viewing, dramatizing, composing, comparing and contrasting, organizing and expressing ideas and feelings in a variety of forms. To provide live experiences that will enable the individual to develop self-confidence and poise toward entering an adult culture is the ultimate purpose of the course.

Expected Outcomes

Through learning experiences in Business English, the student

Increases in ability to listen purposefully and attentively with discrimination and courtesy

Becomes increasingly aware of the significance of pitch, stress, and juncture in communication

Seeks opportunities to listen to specific forms and patterns of utterances which are currently a part of prestige dialects (in informal and formal situations) and which he would like to add to his own repertory of readily available choices for his personal speech and writing

Develops a sense of the power of words to influence people

Weighs the verbal evidence of what he hears

Learns to separate fact from opinion as he listens

Cultivates the habit of remembering key ideas and drawing conclusions

Listens to enjoy, to become informed, to appreciate, and to follow directions

Evidences increasing discrimination in selecting motion pictures, radio programs, and television shows for information and for entertainment

Displays greater understanding of people: how they act, why they act as they do

Evinces progress in making personal adjustments and in developing social and economic competence

Becomes more observant of successful methods in obtaining the desired results

Develops more tolerant attitude toward different points of view

Acquires more mature techniques of self-evaluation

Recognizes the relationship of language power and good grooming to personality development

Realizes the importance of courtesy and honesty in business relationships

Improves ability to solve simple business problems



listening

observing

and

speaking

Understands the effectiveness of the "you" point of view in all business contacts

Gains an understanding of primary business ethics

Develops the habit of realistic self-appraisal in oral expression

- Expresses personal opinions clearly

Acquires skill in speech for social occasions

Practices using specific forms and patterns of utterances which are currently a part of prestige dialects (in informal or formal situations) and which he would like to add to his own repertory of readily available choices for his personal speech

Observes good oral techniques before the group: posture, gesture, facial expression, movement, volume, rate, tone quality, distinctness, and audience contact

Gains poise and self-confidence in speaking before a group and in presiding according to standards of parliamentary usage

Habitually and unconsciously sees words and punctuation ahead, so that he interprets naturally

Increases ability to talk from an outline and notes

Participates in and contributes to group discussions

Is skillful in attacking complicated unfamiliar words

Automatically uses such structural elements as compound words, prefixes, suffixes, and Latin and Greek roots in word attack procedure after having first tried context and word form clues

Independently and habitually recognizes the difference between memorizing or verbalizing and grasping concepts

Recognizes author's purpose, tone, and mood

Recognizes the author's pattern: main ideas and details which support main ideas Reads critically to reflect and weigh

Reads creatively to visualize people and places, to draw conclusions, to see relationships, and to make inferences

Recognizes cause and effect

Learns to apply elementary semantics as an aid in recognizing subtle propaganda Habitually reads critically (interpreting the passage, making appraisal, and drawing conclusions)

Differentiates in his reading between fact and opinion or judgment, rational thought and rationalization, deductive and inductive reasoning

Independently identifies his purpose in reading any specific selection

Learns to be a flexible reader, according to his purpose and his material

Habitually keeps a list of words, and goes over it periodically, marking off words whose meanings he has thoroughly learned

Learns that dictionary definitions are seldom adequate to explain the meanings of frequently used abstract words, that only context can indicate the exact sense in which the author uses his terms

Continues to develop a feeling for and some knowledge of etymology

Understands that usage, not etymology, determines word meanings

Continues to use a study-reading technique such as SQ3R

Uses reference materials of the library with growing facility and skill and assumes the responsibility of looking things up himself

Improves attitudes and appreciations through reading by gaining a sympathetic understanding of other human beings, by setting up high ideals and standards of conduct, by developing spiritual values, and by responding to aesthetic experiences found in literature

Continues to explore and analyze vocational opportunities

Increases in ability to make discriminating choices of reading material for leisure reading, for gaining information, and for forming judgments

Begins to read adult literature

Increases his knowledge of both common and unusual written representations of vowel and consonant phonemes so that this knowledge may be used automatically

Increases understanding of the relationships between intonation, syntax, and punctuation

Learns which conventions of punctuation are related to neither intonation nor syntax

Continues to develop techniques for improving what he writes, proofreads, uses dictionaries and other books for reference, and revises where need is pointed out to him

Recognizes the power of effective business letters in the world network of business

Knows the responsibility involved and acceptable methods used in creating efficient business letters

Realizes the importance of and practices determining the purpose of various types of letters

Learns to develop a point of view and to select appropriate examples to support his point of view

Recognizes when an idea has been adequately developed

Clarifies ideas by defining key words and by expanding abstractions

Understands the nature of rationalization and of logical fallacies

Understands techniques of persuasion used in advertisements or propaganda

Becomes aware of the difference between a fact, an interpretation of a fact, and an individual opinion

Is aware of assumptions upon which statements depend

Habitually uses transition words and phrases

Uses parallel structure

Increasingly uses exact words in all his compositions: in the creative, those words whose connotations determine his tone or mood and in the factual, those words which most efficiently define, illustrate, or explain

Becomes aware of language as a code, as a system of signals, and as a social phenomenon

writing

composition

language

Learns that language includes phonology, grammar, and lexicon

Learns that some of the conventions of spoken and written English are different

Considers modern languages as products of historical development

Understands that language change is normal and inevitable

Learns to discriminate carefully among levels of usage

Learns that the test of usage should be appropriateness to the speaker or writer and to the occasion

Recognizes two different kinds of sentences in English: kernel, or basic, sentences and complex sentences which are derived from the kernel sentences by operations called transformations

Learns how dictionaries are made

Learns that dictionaries are descriptive rather than prescriptive

Habitually refers to introductory sections of dictionaries

Habitually uses a variety of up-to-date dictionaries

Develops careful criteria for selecting dictionaries for his own use

Habitually compares the information found in several up-to-date dictionaries

Habitually looks for the conflict within a short story, the outcome of the struggle, the nature of the impact on the characters, the author's theme or thesis, the organic unity of the story

Habitually looks for the central dominating idea of a novel, its pattern of organization, its mood or emotional atmosphere, its style, its elements of lasting value

Habitually looks for the crisis in a drama, the locale of the drama, the action of the characters in the crisis, the outcome of the conflict

Generalizes about the author's meaning, ideas, attitudes, and purpose only in response to textual stimuli which he can point to as evidence supporting his generalizations

Seeks to integrate nis vicarious reading experiences (syntheses of facts, ideas, attitudes) with these actual experiences in forming his own philosophy of life

Takes this last step only after he has understood a work and tentatively evaluated its worth as a human experience

Areas for Learning Experiences

Essential Tools for Effective Communication

Points of Emphasis

Importance of clear, concise language in business communication

The 7 C's of business language

Vocabulary related to business transactions and to vocations of special interest

Reliable resources for determining acceptable practices

Differences between the conventions of spoken and written English

Vowel and consonant phonemes and their representation in writing

The relationship between intonation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language

literature

The relationship between syntax and punctuation

Conventions or customs of punctuation in the written language

Conventions or customs of capitalization in the written language

Representation of stress in writing

Choices of language forms, related to social conventions and to social distinctions

Business Correspondence

Points of Emphasis

Purposes and organization of the ten chief types of business letters

Current conventions of form and layout

The receiver's viewpoint

The relationship between the fundamental wants, motives, or drives of human beings and business letters

The relationship between the tone of the business letter and the writer's purpose Business forms

Modern Writers of Fiction

(Text material will be selected from Adventures in American Literature; Literary Cavalcade: short stories by such authors as Stephen V. Benét, Ray Bradbury, Maureen Daly, William Faulkner, Jack Finney, Ernest Hemingway, Bill Mauldin, Conrad Richter, John Steinbeck, Jesse Stuart, James Thurber, Jessamyn West; Paul Annixter, Swiftwater; Pearl Buck, The Good Earth, The Living Reed; Willa Cather, Death Comes for the Archbishop, My Antonia, O Pioneers, One of Ours, Shadows on the Rock; Stephen Crane, Red Badge of Courage; Edna Ferber, Cimarron, Giant, Ice Palace, Show Boat, So Big; Vardis Fisher, Tale of Valor; Esther Forbes, Johnny Tremain; A. B. Guthrie, Big Sky, The Way West; Ernest Hemingway, The Old Man and the Sea; William D. Howells, The Rise of Silas Lapham; Tom Lea, Brave Bulls, The Hands of Cantu; Sinclair Lewis, Arrowsmith, Babbitt, Main Street; John Marquand, Point of No Return, Sincerely, Willis Wayde, So Little Time; James A. Michener, Bridges at Toko-Ri, Hawaii, The Source; Margaret Mitchell, Gone with the Wind; Christopher Morley, Parnassus on Wheels; Conrad Richter, The Fields, The Lady, The Light in the Forest, The Sea of Grass, The Town, The Trees; Upton Sinclair, The Jungle; John Steinbeck, The Moon Is Down, The Pearl, The Red Pony; Jessamyn West, Cress Delahanty, The Friendly Persuasion; Edith Wharton, Age of Innocence, Ethan Frome, House of Mirth; Thornton Wilder, The Bridge of San Luis Rey, Ides of March; Herman Wouk, The Caine Mutiny, City Boy; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Changes in American life reflected in the fiction of the twentieth century
Distinctive differences and similarities of the contemporary short story and novel
Realism and romance in the two types of writing
Outstanding writers and special contributions of each
Basic themes and primary types in works of various authors





Choosing a Vocation and Getting a Job

Points of Emphasis

Self-appraisal, formal and informal

Vocational choice

Reliable sources of vocational information

Rights of employees

Understanding of vocations through biographies and autobiographies

Laws related to vocations

Attitudes toward work and success

The Two Most Important Personal Contacts

Points of Emphasis

The letter of application as a personal representative

Planning the letter

The personal data sheet

Preparation for the interview

The interview and follow-up

Application forms

Lexicography

(Text material will be selected from American College Dictionary; American English Usage; A Dictionary of Contemporary American Usage; Modern English Usage; Standard College Dictionary; Webster's New World Dictionary; Webster's Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary; and Webster's Third New International Dictionary.)

Points of Emphasis

The beginnings of English dictionaries

The development of dictionaries in America

Sources of authority of dictionaries

Kinds of dictionaries

Entries

Orthography

Pronunciation

Form classes

Etymology

Definitions

Usage labels

Synonyms

Encyclopedic information



Contemporary Drama

(Text material will be selected from Adventures in American Literature; Literary Cavalcade; the plays of Maxwell Anderson, Norman Corwin, Moss Hart, Alan J. Lerner, Thornton Wilder; Archibald MacLeish, J. B.; Arthur Miller, The Crucible; Eugene O'Neill, Ah, Wilderness, Anna Christie, Beyond the Horizon, Emperor Jones, Where the Cross Is Made; Robert Sherwood, Abe Lincoln in Illinois, The Petrified Forest, There Shall Be No Night; Tennessee Williams, Glass Menagerie; the school library; and films, filmstrips, and word recordings from the DISD Audio-Visual Library.)

Points of Emphasis

Changes in purpose and style of dramatic writing
Influences responsible for these changes
Drama as a reflection of contemporary life
Influence of the Little Theater Movement
Rise of the one-act play
Development of the radio play
Development of the television play
Chief figures in twentieth-century drama

SPEECH ARTS

Scope

The speech program in the secondary school has a major responsibility in giving to each individual the proper direction and purpose in personality growth and development.

Purposeful activities emphasize individual growth in social sensitivity and in effective participation in the democratic processes. Much of the world's business and social transactions is carried on by oral communication; therefore, it is essential that the speech education program stress effective usage.

The individual is given opportunities to clarify ideas, to consider the audience, to acquire poise, to evaluate and appreciate speech needs, to observe and listen intelligently, and to assume responsibility in group participation.

The activities of the class consist of thinking, discovering, listening, speaking, reading, writing, viewing, dramatizing, composing, comparing and contrasting, organizing and expressing ideas and feelings in a variety of forms.

Speech 1 and Speech 2 are outlined here as a unit. The thought back of this organization is to allow flexibility in planning to meet the needs of particular class groups.

Speech 1, elective in the tenth grade and above, is a foundation course which is prerequisite to all other speech courses. Speech 2 is fundamentally interpretation and should follow Speech 1; however, occasionally there will be exceptions in this sequence.

Expected Outcomes

Participating in the learning activities of the courses in speech, the student

Discovers new interest in developing habits of correct, effective speech

Practices continuously for improvement in speech as an aid to personality development and the contributions of a citizen to a democracy

Gains greater poise in contacts with both peers and adults

Enjoys satisfying speech experiences in winning group approval

Appreciates the benefits of democratic processes in daily life

Practices efficient organization of ideas and facts in speaking and writing

Realizes the value of good group discussion

Becomes aware of faults in oral and written expression and practices methods of eradicating personal errors

Understands the responsibilities involved in freedom of speech

Evolves higher standards of personal honesty and more mature evaluative criteria

Gains greater skill in getting the author's thought and mood and in presenting an interpretation

Enriches emotional and imaginative powers

Acquires greater understanding and appreciation of worthwhile literature

Employs effective techniques in oral interpretation of the printed page

Becomes more skilled in the use of resource aids

Indicates greater understanding and tolerance of human life and behavior

Extends enjoyment of acquaintanceship with the many book characters

and writing

speaking

reading



listening and observing Selects material more discriminately for voluntary reading

Relates the method and rate of reading to the purpose

Recognizes the important relationship of efficient reading to satisfactory daily living

Improves skills as an intelligent listener, a careful observer, and a logical thinker Recognizes the power of effective speech

Becomes more conscious of the importance of good posture and bodily control Realizes the essential part effective speech plays in personality development Practices keener observation in relation to accepted usage

Uses more mature discrimination in selecting movies, radio or television shows, and other performances for pleasure or information

Demonstrates ability to benefit by constructive criticism

Displays greater pride in good American speech, literature, and citizenship

SPEECH 1 AND 2

SPEECH FUNDAMENTALS AND ORAL INTERPRETATION

Scope

The fundamental course in speech is designed to lay the foundation for all future courses. Functional activities are planned to aid in developing poise, personality, and a pleasing voice and in creating a desire to continue speech training.

Interpretative reading aims toward the enrichment of personality by the development of the art of reliving and communicating to others the meanings suggested by the printed page.

Interpretative reading, then, becomes a skill in which literature is an aesthetic experience for the reader and the listener; it furnishes vicarious experience which aids them in personality development and social adjustment; and it serves as a basic tool of communication.

Expected Outcomes

Through learning experiences in Speech Fundamentals and Oral Interpretation, the student

skills understandings appreciations and attitudes Acquires a desirable mental attitude toward a speaking situation

Develops a greater desire to communicate ideas

Learns to listen intelligently, observe carefully, and think logically

Develops poise and personality

Gains self-confidence and assurance

Increases speaking vocabulary

Realizes the importance of good posture and bodily control

Overcomes bad mannerisms

Improves ability to read from the printed page

Gains an appreciation of what constitutes good public speaking

Learns to organize and present ideas extemporaneously

Improves in ability to cope with everyday problems

Acquires the ability to profit from giving and receiving criticism

Works more cooperatively with a group

Indicates greater willingness to assume responsibility toward class progress

Becomes more interested in planning a definite program for speech improvement

Adopts and follows a methodical process of speech composition

Gains better habits of research

Realizes that "gathering material and choosing a subject" is a continuous process

Learns the value of a well-constructed outline

Gains poise through getting the author's thought and giving it to an audience

Enriches emotional and imaginative powers

Increases competence as an interpreter of literature



Develops skill in projecting mood

Acquires respect for literature through an appreciation and an understanding of its art and the techniques of interpretation

Gains a better understanding of human behavior and of life

Becomes acquainted with many types of persons through reading

Develops personal standards of taste that increase discrimination in the audience situations

Becomes better acquainted with the various forms of literature

Discovers new possibilities for enjoyment

Increases understanding of and skills in human relations

Recognizes the importance of good diction

Improves ability to express ideas and feelings effectively

Increases in ability to use more flexible voice quality, rate, pitch, and volume

Develops ability to use comic, dramatic, and oratorical techniques of interpretation

Takes advantage of rewarding out-of-school experiences

Develops ability to respond on short notice to calls for speeches

Learns the value of good public discussion

Acquires the ability to meet the public

Becomes an instrument in the improvement of human relations

Areas for Learning Experiences

Adjusting to the Speaking Situation

Points of Emphasis

Establishment of a friendly contact with audience

Orientation of the group

Development of poise and personality

Courteous behavior in the classroom, the home, and the social situation

Development of discriminating habits of listening

Use of breathing exercises to relieve tension

Methods of developing and improving conversation

Informal discussions and speeches concerning topics of immediate interest

Effective Communication by Bodily Expression

Points of Emphasis

Language of posture

Appreciation of the meaning of movement and gesture

Interpretation of character in terms of carriage, movement, and gesture

Development of controlled, skilled use of the body in a speaking situation

Exercises for good posture and relaxation

Pantomime



Voice and Diction

Points of Emphasis

Development of an appreciation for good voice and diction

Study of the basic mechanics of speech

Methods of improving the voice

Importance of developing the vocabulary

Use of exercises to relieve muscular tensions and to improve quality of tone

The speech organs and their functions

Significance of timing, pause, pitch, range, inflection, emphasis, and force

Critical appraisal of outstanding actors, poets, and lecturers

Critical appraisal of radio and television programs

Choral speaking

Storytelling

Poetry reading

Declamation

Sales oration

Recording of voices

Basic Principles of Public Speaking

Points of Emphasis

Types of public speaking and value of each

Standards of effective public speaking

Organization of speeches

Panel

Symposium

Dialogue

Lecture

The Subject and the Material

Points of Emphasis

Suitable materials for speaking activities

Appreciation of the requirements of an appropriate subject

Analysis of speeches of recognized speakers with reference to their suitability and the apparent source of material

Methods of collecting material for speeches

Analysis of occasions when the speaker must inform, convince, or entertain

Presentation of Ideas

Points of Emphasis

The need of enlarging and supporting main contentions

Use of specific materials for building a speech

The extempore speech



The preparation of "use" notes
The preparation of an outline

Evaluation of speeches

Parliamentary Procedure

Points of Emphasis

Knowledge of rights and responsibilities according to parliamentary law

Effective responses in an organized assembly

Development of confidence in effective usage of basic principles of parliamentary procedure

Organization and development of a club, a student assembly, or a legislature

The writing of a constitution and by-laws

Nomination speeches

Precedent order and voting regulations

Election of officers

Main motion, subsidiary motions, and amendments

Correlation in Speaking Situations

Points of Emphasis

Methods of speech construction

Background and techniques for storytelling

Choral speaking

A practicable knowledge of parliamentary procedure

Speeches of announcement, nomination, introduction, presentation, and acceptance

After-dinner speeches

Informative and persuasive speeches

Speeches of tribute

Speeches involving demonstrations

Discussion groups of committee meetings and conferences, panels, and symposiums

Cooperative investigations and single-leader discussions

Interpreting the Author's Thought and Mood

Points of Emphasis

Methods of improving oral reading

Effective oral reading of various types of prose selections, such as minutes from club meetings, committee reports, announcements, quotations from source material, news, scientific articles, and essays

Methods of cutting novels, three-act plays, and long orations

Declamation

Original monologues and orations

Evaluation of recordings of well-known prose selections

Evaluation of the interpretative techniques used by television and movie actors



Re-creating the Poet's Thought and Mood

Points of Emphasis

Oral interpretation of all forms of poetry -- narrative, dramatic, lyric, and modern verse

Improvement of voice and diction

Projection of thought and emotional content

Individual and group pantomimes

Comparison of recordings of choric work made by students with recordings of similar selections by outstanding artists

Drawing a Live Picture

Points of Emphasis

Employment of observation and imagination for understanding and sympathetic interpretation

Study of voice and bodily action

Development of individual characterization

Analysis and interpretation, through voice and pantomime, of types of characters in the community

Analysis and interpretation, through voice and pantomime, of characters from dramatic literature

Common forms of dialect reading

One-character scenes from Shakespeare

Monologues

Methods of cutting, adapting, and presenting two- and three-character scenes from one-act and two-act plays

The Special Occasion Speech

Points of Emphasis

Response to calls for services in any situation

Importance of the art of "word choice"

Sincerity a necessary characteristic

Types of speeches for special occasions

Analysis of printed examples of special occasion speeches

Meeting the Public

Points of Emphasis

Methods of conducting a well-organized business interview

Opportunity to make new acquaintances

Adapting the interview to the occasion

News interview

Requests for support of worthy causes

Interview programs for radio and television stations



SPEECH 3 — DRAMA

Scope

skills

appreciations

understand-

ings and attitudes

The major purpose of the drama course is to provide meaningful experiences that will lead to the development of more mature emotional stability, a greater sense of responsibility in democratic group processes, and increased poise in self-expression.

The study of drama not only furnishes challenging opportunities for the broadening of insight into human life but also serves to give wholesome recreational activity to the school and motivation to the work of other departments.

Throughout the course in drama, production is continuous in order to apply the principles of acting and producing taught in the classroom.

Expected Outcomes

Through learning experiences in drama, the student

Gains poise in expressing ideas and feelings

Acquires freedom and grace of movement

Gains a respect for the theatre through an appreciation and understanding of its arts and techniques

Becomes better acquainted with the play as a literary type

Develops personal standards of taste that increase his discrimination in audience situations

Discovers latent dramatic talents

Gains, through the study of dramatic literature and the observation and evaluation of dramatic performances, an appreciation of the influence which the theatre has had upon civilization

Exhibits control in voice and diction

Becomes more interested in participating in creative endeavors which provide opportunities to serve the common good

Reflects acquaintance with art forms of drama and other fine arts as they are related to drama

Gains an interest in drama as a form of recreational reading

Enriches his emotional and imaginative powers

Realizes the importance of working successfully with other people

Increases his competence in the use of democratic group processes

Gains a better understanding of human behavior

Develops initiative and individual methods of accomplishment

Acquires critical standards of appreciation

Discovers through dramatic production a means of using leisure time pleasurably and profitably

Improves voice quality

Areas for Learning Experiences

The Development of the Drama

Points of Emphasis

History of drama from beginning to present

Outstanding plays and playwrights in chronological order

Characteristics of plays and the periods they represent

Characteristics of the physical aspects of theatres from the Greek to the modern period

Famous actors and actresses

Modern theatre productions

Motion pictures

Radio and television productions

Purpose and Form in Drama

Points of Emphasis

The three basic types: tragedy, comedy, melodrama

Various forms as outgrowths of basic types

Fantasy, farce, and thesis plays

Critical analysis of drama

Relation of author's point of view to form

Dramatic Interpretation

Points of Emphasis

Self-expression through dramatic interpretation

Flexibility of voice, an essential of dramatic interpretation

Coordination of body

Analysis of specific characters

Effective voice and stage techniques in stage plays, motion pictures, and radio and television shows

Critical analysis of body coordination in pantomimes

Critical analysis of voice types from recordings by professional artists and by classmates

Preparation of original scripts illustrating definite character types

Techniques of stage actions and positions, dialogue, and passing dialogue

Presentation of scenes from plays

Dramatic Literature

Points of Emphasis

Characteristics, mood, theme, tempo, and plot as points for analysis of plays

Evaluation of plays and players

Dialogue analysis



The setting

The prompt book

Casting of one-act and three-act plays for class presentation

Study of structure and interpretation as used by an author

Preparation of original script

Rewriting or cutting a script

Dramatic Production (or Curtain Call)

Points of Emphasis

Participation in staging a play as a means of self-expression

Qualities necessary for efficient participation in stage production

Theatrical terms

Rules of acting

Logical steps in preparing a play

Effective use of the voice for projection of the thought, emotion, and character

Participation in round table discussions of a play; in reading, walking, and line rehearsals; and in rehearsals for tempo, climax, and polish

Preparation for back-stage organization

Duties and techniques of production crew

Uses of marionettes and puppets for programs

Crafts

Points of Emphasis

Planning and executing many of the craft articles that are used in theatre work

Craft work that may be used as an outlet for the slow learner and the student who may be gifted with his hands

Types of theatres

Styles of scenic design

Backdrops

Figures to be used in plays or pageants

Properties

Lighting effects

Costuming

Mechanical devices

Puppets and marionettes

Plaques

Masks



SPEECH 4 — RADIO AND TELEVISION

Scope

Radio and television have made rapid progress as powers which wield vast influence upon personal and public life of today. Guidance toward adequate understanding and intelligent usage of these powerful media is the goal of the course.

Radio and Television offers concrete situations which encourage improvement in the essential skills: speaking and writing, listening and observing, and reading. The course furnishes opportunities to gain reliable information concerning vocational opportunities in the two fields and to grow in ability to assume the responsibilities of a citizen in a democratic society.

Expected Outcomes

knowledge understanding: appreciations and skills Through learning experiences in Radio and Television, the student

Acquires a knowledge of the background and development of radio and television

Becomes familiar with radio and television stations — the personnel, the organization, and the equipment

Extends knowledge of reliable sources of information available concerning programs

Develops an awareness of the importance of good speech

Recognizes personal needs for effective expression

Improves voice quality, diction, and emphasis

Improves ability to criticize and evaluate intelligently current programs

Becomes acquainted with the duties of various workers of television and radio studios

Gains an overall idea of sound effects and their importance in production

Develops greater skill in written as well as oral expression

Achieves a happy and rewarding experience as a contributing member of a group

Experiences the reward of significant success or achievement

Discovers vocational opportunities offered by the two media

Evinces greater interest in trends of the times

Develops standards for making more intelligent choices of programs

Areas for Learning Experiences

The Development of Radio and Television

Points of Emphasis

Progress in communication techniques

Radio and television as representatives of modern trends

Standards for critical evaluation of current programs

The use of radio and television for educational purposes and for entertainment purposes

The Radio and Television Station

Points of Emphasis

Local studios

Construction and plan of stations

Equipment used in broadcasts and telecasts

Personnel and management of stations

Precision of timing

Evaluation of announcers as to style, diction, voice, and general effectiveness

Speech Over the Air

Points of Emphasis

Voice consciousness

Good voice, an essential in the field of broadcasting

Voice quality, enunciation, pronunciation, and vocabulary

Evaluation of recordings by outstanding actors and speakers

Exercises for improving the voice

Original scripts presented over the school public address system

Analysis of recordings made by members of the class

Radio-Television News

Points of Emphasis

Techniques of newscasting and announcing

Duties of the newscaster and announcer

Script writing and editing

Critical study of one of the current prominent radio or television newscasters or commentators

Microphone techniques

Commercials

Recording of teletype news, news of school interest, news of community interest, and personality interviews

Scenery and Mood

Points of Emphasis

Importance of sound effects in radio and television programs and broadcasts

Types of sound effects

Mechanical devices used in sound effects

Original scripts which emphasize the use of a variety of sound effects

Production of Radio and Television Plays

Points of Emphasis

Teamwork in the production



Play selection and casting

Production staff

The drama production

Recording of reading, sound effects, music, and dress rehearsals for the purpose of evaluation

Careers in Radio and Television

Points of Emphasis

Opportunities in the field

Educational requirements

Salaries and possibilities for advancement

Schools which offer training

Interviews with local radio and television personnel concerning their positions and duties



SPEECH 5 AND 6

DEBATE, EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING, AND ORIGINAL ORATORY

Scope

The purpose of this course, which must be preceded by Speech 1, is to train students in the art and science of speaking and thinking effectively on the problems of current significance for which no general acceptable solution has been found. Debate improves the abilities of the students to state, analyze, and translate problems and their possible solutions into terms acceptable to a discerning audience. Actual life situations are presented in which the pupil will find ample opportunities to develop worthwhile personality traits, such as good sportsmanship, tolerance, truthfulness, fair play, and sincerity. Definite procedure for speech composition is given, and opportunity is provided to test this knowledge on the speaking platform. The problems of speech composition are treated in a methodical manner, and emphasis is placed upon efficient delivery in communicating speech extemporaneously.

Expected Outcomes

Through learning experiences in Debate, Extemporaneous Speaking, and Original Oratory, the student

understandings appreciations and skills

Develops poise and improves personality

Becomes acquainted with the nature of the tentative solution to, and the critical evaluation of, actual life problem-situations

Becomes efficient in communicating speech extemporaneously

Improves ability to state, analyze, and translate problems and their possible solutions into terms acceptable to a discerning audience

Learns the standards of good extemporaneous speaking

Develops ability to make effective responses to an organized assembly

Acquires, through parliamentary and debating experiences, confidence for participation in clubwork and, later, in social and economic affairs

Learns to apply the techniques of research

Learns to get the facts before reaching the conclusion

Develops ability to "think on one's feet"

Learns to listen effectively to both sides of a proposition and weigh evidence submitted before reaching a conclusion

Gains ability to speak convincingly and enthusiastically

Increases respect for the democratic approach to problems through discussion of the known facts

Increases understanding of the types of public discussions and their value in a democratic society

Studies the value of the contest oration

Areas for Learning Experiences

Parliamentary Procedure

Points of Emphasis

Review of rights and responsibilities according to parliamentary law

Effective responses in an organized assembly

Development of confidence in effective usage of basic principles of parliamentary procedure

Organization and development of a club, student assembly, or legislature

Preparation of a constitution and by-laws

Adoption of a constitution

Nomination speeches

Precedent order and voting regulations

Election of permanent officers

Motions, subsidiary motions, and amendments

Personal Development Through Debate

Points of Emphasis

Debate as a tool of democratic living

Difference between factual evidence and sentiment

Methods of improving speech presentation

Personal qualities which may be developed through debate

Judging a debate

Why Debate?

Points of Emphasis

Selection of timely controversial subjects for extemporaneous practice

Presentation of one or two minute speeches for or against issues

Selection of propositions for debate

Analysis of a resolution to find the issues

Preparation for debate through reading and note-taking

Preparation of a brief

Debate terms

Analysis of Debate

Points of Emphasis

Recognition of debate as a developmental speech activity

Major forms which debating assumes

Selection and statement of the proposition

Evaluation of evidence, statements, ideas, and opinions of others



Evaluation of demonstration debates

Evaluation of radio and television commentaries

Preparing as a Debater

Points of Emphasis

Advantages of centering main speech around only one or two major arguments

Importance of extemporaneous speaking in the main speech

Personal qualities necessary for good discussion

Fitting the introduction to contentions and conclusions

Fitting the conclusions to contentions

Selection of significant points which require answers

Evaluation of rebuttal speakers and rebuttal speeches

Public Discussion

Points of Emphasis

Types of public discussions

Purposes of public discussions

Reflective thinking involved in discussion

Participation in panel discussions

Participation in group discussions

Participation in a debate-forum or Junior Town Meeting on contemporary affairs

The Contest Oration

Points of Emphasis

Place and value of the contest oration

The characteristics of the oration as a particular form of public address

Famous American orators

Analysis of famous orations

Preparation and delivery of an original oration



JOURNALISM 1 AND 2

Scope

Journalism 1 and 2 provide life-like situations to practice effective methods of self-expression through the medium of the printed page. The courses furnish opportunities for employing specific skills in the production of a school paper and for improving ability to deal efficiently with the public. The individual gains an overall knowledge of the field of journalism, and the ability to appraise the influence of the free press as an instrument in a democratic society.

The activities of the class consist of thinking, discovering, listening, speaking, reading, writing, viewing, dramatizing, composing, comparing and contrasting, organizing and expressing ideas and feelings in a variety of forms.

Expected Outcomes

Through learning experiences in journalism, the student

Develops the desire to form good habits in written expression

Increases skill in writing various types of material for the school paper

Becomes more interested in creative writing

Recognizes the importance of unity, coherence, and emphasis in journalistic writing

Differentiates between superior and inferior journalistic writing

Acquires greater skill in gathering facts and presenting them without bias

Becomes aware of the ethics and canons of good journalism

Applies technical knowledge and skill in work on the school paper

Formulates evaluative criteria for good workmanship

Reads newspapers more intelligently

Becomes acquainted with the history and growth of the press

Realizes the power of the free press as an instrument in a democratic society

Learns the responsibilities of the press to the public

Evinces keener interest in current events

Develops more mature attitudes concerning responsibility in group activities

Extends ability to inspire cooperation from others

Observes the wide range of vocational opportunities in the field of journalism

Improves ability to speak clearly and effectively in interviewing

Discriminates in choice of the mass media of communication

Increases ability to listen more critically

writing

reading

speaking listening

observing

and

JOURNALISM 1

Scope

Journalism 1 emphasizes newsgathering and newswriting and provides learning situations for the development of specific skills in the writing of the various types of news story, copy editing, headline writing, proofreading, and make-up.

Experiences in practicing journalistic writing and newsgathering in the school teaches the individual to observe accurately and to write objectively.

Areas for Learning Experiences

Reporting Today's News

Points of Emphasis

Influence of the free press on the American Way of Life

Importance of a "nose for news"

Processes necessary in producing a finished news story

Developing of poise and self-assurance in meeting and interviewing people

Equipment, personnel, and organization of newspaper plants

Comparison of the handling of a news story by each of the three great press associations

News sources in the school and in the community

Preparation of leads and simple news stories

Livening Up the News Page

Points of Emphasis

Characteristics of special stories

Reports of assembly speeches

Interviews

Opinion polls

Sports stories

Feature stories

Personality columns

Humor columns

Critical evaluation of original special stories

Problems in Make-Up

Points of Emphasis

Three general systems of make-up for high school papers

Contrast, an important element in make-up

Combinations of basic make-up systems

Use of boxes and indented stories

Front pages of the daily papers

Preparation of a dummy for the school paper



The Guardian of Accuracy

Points of Emphasis

Accuracy, clarity, and effectiveness in headlines

Errors for which the copyreader must be on guard

The well-edited paper

Duties of copyreaders

Copyreading symbols

Copyreading the school paper

Public Relations Program in the Public Schools

Points of Emphasis

School publications as news interpreters

Necessity for a planned program of school publicity

Importance of informing the community of school programs

Preparation of essays, news stories, letters, and posters publicizing school activities

Analyzing school publications to see that all phases of school life are being interpreted to the community

Responsibility for careful editing of school publications for accuracy, completeness, and correctness of form



JOURNALISM 2

Scope

The second semester of Journalism furnishes concrete experiences which promote extended abilities in self-expression and increased understanding of the free press as a powerful agent of democracy.

Staff organization, the history of journalism, newspaper ethics, the intelligent newspaper reader, and newspaper advertising are subjects which receive special attention.

Actual production of the school paper offers live situations for increasing skills in communications, for previding opportunities to work with others, and for arousing vocational interest in the field of journalism.

Areas for Learning Experiences

Getting Started

Points of Emphasis

History of journalism

The evolution of the American newspaper

Important figures in journalism, past and present

Services of a school paper

Responsibilities of staff members

Selection of staff for school newspaper

Analysis of ways to improve the school paper

Analyzing and Interpreting the News

Points of Emphasis

The function of the editorial

The ingredients of an editorial

Devices for achieving readable, convincing editorials

Differences in style between early editorials and current ones

Differences between the editorials and other reportorial forms

Survey of appropriate editorial topics

Critical analysis of editorials for evidence of bias, invalid reasoning, inaccuracies, and weak conclusions

Evaluation of original editorials for the use of specific purposes, concrete examples, human interest, humor, reportorial style, balanced sentences, antithesis, and other rhetorical devices

Dramatization in the News

Points of Emphasis

Characteristics of the feature story

Differences between the feature story and other forms of newspaper writing Material suitable for feature stories



Organization of material

Specific sources of feature material for school papers

Original interviews, personality sketches, personal experience articles, and narratives in third person

Keeping Abreast of the News

Points of Emphasis

The services offered by newspapers

The plan and arrangement of the paper

The role of the free press in a democratic society

Contributions of newspapers to a family's daily life

Canons and ethics of good journalism

Techniques of slanting the news

Evaluative criteria for judging the format of papers

Influences which affect news interpretation

Differentiation between news and propaganda

Importance of independent thinking in the intelligent use of a paper

Comparison of divergent views on the same subject on the part of two or more excellent newspapers

An Important Force in Daily Living

Points of Emphasis

The tremendous impact of advertising on daily living

Techniques of advertising

Application of advertising to the high school publication

Advertising as a vocation

The value of responsible advertising and its relation to the American system of free enterprise

Relationships between national and local advertising, mass production, lower prices, and a higher standard of living

Organization, personnel, and responsibilities of the advertising departments of newspapers and of advertising agencies

Preparation of copy, layout sheets, and dummies for advertisements in school paper



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Addendum

LANGUAGE ARTS PROGRAM

CONTENT, SCOPE, AND SEQUENCE

Course and Grade

Emphasis

*State Adopted Textbooks

LANGUAGE ARTS

Grade One

LISTENING

Development of the ability to listen in order to distinguish sounds; to follow instructions; to extend attention span and the ability to remember; to acquire habits of courteous attention in both formal and informal audience situations; to participate in purposeful discussion; and to enjoy stories.

Readers

SPEAKING

Emphasis on participation in informal conversations, group discussions, planning, and evaluations; experience in rich oral expression, dramatization, nursery rhymes, and storytelling, with attention to sequence and organization of ideas; correction of errors in speech.

None

Reading Readiness

READING AND LITERATURE Development of reading readiness through pre-reading experiences; developing visual and auditory discrimination as a preparatory step towards word recognition; acquiring a meaningful sight vocabulary; building interest and confidence in the reading situation and a desirable attitude toward books; using charts, pictures, and stories.

***Getting Ready to Read, Houghton,
**1971

Basal Reading

Continuous orderly development of basic skills, attitudes, and habits through use of basal and supplementary readers and library books; mastery of an adequate vocabulary and growth in ability to use word recognition clues; growth in power of interpretation and appreciation; use of punctuation marks as an aid to getting meaning; and in the ability to follow directions in independent practice.

Tip, Houghton, 1971
Tip and Mitten, Houghton, 1971
The Big Show, Houghton, 1971
Jack and Janet, Primer, Houghton, 1971
Up and Away, First Grade, Houghton, 1971

Extended Reading

Introduction of supplementary pre-primers and carefully selected library books after successful completion of the three basic preprimers.

GRAMMATICAL USAGE

Attention to word order and form in speaking, reading, and writing.

Communicative Writing

WRITING

Introduction to the writing of stories, both group and individual.

Handwriting

Development of legible form of manuscript writing; emphasis on correct formation of letters and numerals with particular attention to beginning strokes and spacing of letters and words.

Better Handwriting for You, 1, Noble, 1973

Spelling

Development of visual and auditory discrimination; recognition of individual words and letters of the alphabet; beginning the development of the concept that spelling is the representation of vowel and consonant phonemes in writing; use of spelling in simple written work; development of effective methods of study.

Suggested list given in Handbook for Primary Teachers

^{*}Only state adopted textbooks are listed.

^{**}Figures represent year of expiration of state adoptions.

^{***}In the listing of readers only basal texts are included. Many supplementary readers will be used by the teacher.

LANGUAGE ARTS

Grade Two
LISTENING

Maintenance and extension of skills developed in first grade; listening to distinguish between sounds of words and word parts; listening for phrasing in speech; listening for ways to convey meaning in speech; listening for euphony in word arrangements, as in poetry.

Readers

SPEAKING

Participation in discussions, conversations, reporting, storytelling, explanations, descriptions, and dramatizations; speaking with clear enunciation, correct pronunciation, and a well-modulated voice.

None

Emphasis upon language usage (vocabulary, inflected forms, and agreement) of the current prestige or standard dialect; recognition of divergence within the prestige or standard dialect.

Basal Reading

READING AND LITERATURE Growth in comprehension of the thought expressed, interpretation of meaning, broadening of understanding, reading for factual information, and prediction of outcomes; development of location skills, such as content page, title page, and vocabulary lists; increased ability to use word attack skills, structural analysis, phonetic analysis, meaning clues, and word form clues.

Come Along, Houghton, 1971 On We Go, Houghton, 1971

Extended Reading

Growth in appreciation of a wide variety of selections; development of taste for recommended literary selections; extension of interests; increased desire to read stories, poems, and factual matrial for personal enjoyment and other purposes.

Basal and supplementary readers Library books

GRAMMATICAL USAGE

Attention to word order and form in speaking, reading, and writing.

Communicative Writing

WRITING

Beginning the development of the concept of differences between the conventions of spoken and written English; beginning the development of the concept that there is a relationship between intonation in the spoken language and certain punctuation marks in the written language; beginning the development of the concept that some punctuation is simply a matter of convention or custom.

Emphasis upon one-paragraph stories (original or reproduced) and short letters.

Handwriting

Refinement of skills acquired in grade one with continuous emphasis on correct, neat, legible manuscript in all written work.

Better Handwriting for You, 2, Not 1973

Spelling

Growth in ability to use spelling skills and to formulate spelling generalizations; application of spelling skills to learn essential additional words from content subjects and class activities; continued development of the concept that spelling is the representation of vowel and consonant phonemes in writing.

Basic Spelling Goals, Book 2, Webster, 1968

LANGUAGE ARTS

Grade Three

LISTENING

Maintenance and extension of skills developed in grades one and two; emphasis upon listening for dramatic effect in speech; listening to recognize conditions under which phonetic elements prevail in speech.

Learning Together, MacMillan, 1969

SPEAKING

Continued attention to clear enunciation and proper oral pronunciation; usage of words; participation in discussions, conversations, oral reviews, and reports; giving descriptions, directions, explanations, notices, and announcements; practice in speaking clearly, pronouncing words correctly, sounding endings of words, eliminating unnecessary sounds, using voice to portray meaning.

Language Textbook and Readers

Continued emphasis upon language usage (vocabulary, inflected forms, and agreement) of the current prestige or standard dialect; recognition of divergence within the prestige or standard dialect; readiness for analysis of the structure of language (grammar).

Language Textbook and Readers



Basal Reading

READING AND LITERATURE

Continuation and expansion of reading skills begun in grades one and two; of independence in use of word attack skills and of growth in expressive oral reading; extension of vocabulary, reading skills, and comprehension; introduction to words with meaning difficulties, words with multiple meanings, and figures of speech.

Looking Ahead, Houghton, 1971 Climbing Higher, Houghton, 1971

Extended Reading

Concentration on work-study reading provision for application of reading skills and practice in reading for various purposes through the use of guided lessons in supplementary readers and other textbooks; recognition and understanding of specialized vocabularies in content subject areas.

Basal and supplementary readers Library books

Reading a variety of books and periodicals for personal enjoyment, for information, and for simple research according to individual needs and group interests.

GRAMMATICAL USAGE

Attention to word order and form in speaking, reading, and writ-

Communicative Writing

WRITING

Continued development of the concept of differences between the Language Textbook conventions of spoken and written English; continued development of the concepts of relationship between intonation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language, of conventions or customs of punctuation, and of conventions or customs of capitalization; introduction to use of a dictionary.

Writing letters, invitations, reports, brief reviews, descriptions, directions, explanations, notices, and announcements; making each sentence say something and putting events in proper sequence; writing statements and questions; keeping to the subject.

Handwriting

In first semester refinement of manscript letter forms with emphasis on legibility and speed; introduction of cursive writing at mid-term; functional use of writing skills in every writing situation.

Better Handwriting for You, 3, Noble,

Spelling

Growth in ability to use spelling skills and to formulate spelling generalizations; application of spelling skills to learn essential additional words from content subjects and class activities; continued development of the concept that spelling is the representation of vowel and consonant phonemes in writing.

Basic Spelling Goals, Book 3, Webster,

LANGUAGE ARTS Grade Four

LISTENING

Continued growth in previously developed skills with further emphasis on listening to obtain information, to evaluate ideas, and to appreciate beauty of expression as affected by diction, control of voice, and word relationships.

Words Work for You, MacMillan, 1967

SPEAKING

Practice in developing a clear and pleasant speaking voice; developing oral vocabulary and language facility; improving pronunciation, enunciation and articulation habits.

Continued emphasis upon language usage (vccabulary, inflected forms, and agreement) of the current prestige or standard dialect; recognition of divergence within the prestige or standard dialect; beginning of the development of the concepts of language as a code; language as a system of signals, language as a social phenomenon; and significance of stress pitch, and juncture.

Basal Reading

READING AND LITERATURE

Continuation and extension of skills introduced previously; stress on ability to read for a variety of purposes; continued emphasis on word-attack skills, sentence-analysis skills, understandings of language growth and change, critical reading skills, and creative reading skills; introduction to such informational aids as illustrations, tables of content, indexes, maps, charts, dictionaries, encyclopedias.

Trade Winds, Harper & Row, 1973 Ventures, Scott, Foresman, 1973 American Adventures, American Book Company, 1973

Extension of reading activities to encompass a wide variety of materials in preparation for new work in content areas.

Additional basal and supplementary readers

Exploration of literary heritage for understanding and enjoying social heritage.

Library books

Reading for entertainment and for information, according to personal interest.

GRAMMATICAL USAGE

Continued attention to word order and form in speaking, reading, and writing; grammar as the organization of language (subject and predicate, form classes of noun and verb).

Communicative Writing

WRITING

Differences between the conventions of spoken and written English; relationship between intonation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language (end punctuation, series, yes and no); conventions or customs of punctuation (date and year, city and state, greeting and close of a friendly letter and a business letter, initials and abbreviations, numerals and letters in a list, possessive form of nouns, contractions, simple direct quotations, titles of books, magazines, newspapers, articles, short stories, poems); conventions of customs of capitalization.

Language Textbook

Emphasis on writing letters, reports, reviews, descriptions, stories; beginning sentences in various ways; combining ideas in short, choppy sentences to make longer sentences; elimination of useless words; organizing paragraphs.

Handwriting

Continued teaching of cursive writing introduced in grade 3; development of speed, legibility, and individuality in cursive writing; analysis of individual needs; practice in terms of needs and in terms of sequential development of handwriting skills as indicated in formal handwriting programs.

Better Handwriting for You, 4, Noble, 1973

Spelling

Representation of vowel and consonant phonemes in writing; continued application of spelling skills in all written work; analysis of spelling in written work; correct use of the sequential spelling list with the addition of words necessary for written communication; development of syllabication skills; use of dictionary.

Basic Spelling Goals, Book 4, Webster, 1968 Thorndike-Barnhart Beginning Dictionary, Scott, 1968

LANGUAGE ARTS

Grade Five

LISTENING

Growth in ability to recognize main idea; follow a sequence of ideas; summarize ideas; recognize sounds of letters and words, rhyme schemes, and rhythm patterns.

Using Language, Macmillan, 1969 Readers

SPEAKING

Extension of ability in oral expression through acting out stories; participating in broadcasts, class discussions, conversations, making explanations; giving directions; telling stories; reading aloud; using the telephone; avoiding run-together sentences; using a dictionary for pronunciation; developing a pleasing voice.

Continued emphasis upon language usage (vocabulary, inflected forms, and agreement) of the current prestige or standard dialect; recognition of divergence within the prestige or standard dialect; continued development of the concepts of language as a code, language as a system of synals, language as a social phenomenon; the significance of stress, pitch, and juncture.

Basal Reading

READING AND LITERATURE

Extension of reading skills with emphasis on the ability to organize information; follow directions; outline and summarize; make comparisons; discover relationships; use pronunciation aids; understand antonyms, homonyms, and synonyms; recognize multiple meanings; maintain appropriate reading rates; develop discrimination in the selection of rate to purpose; grow in expressive oral reading.

Crossroads, Harper & Row, 1973 Vistas, Scott, Foresman, 1973 Adventures Here and There, American Book Company, 1973



Communicative Writing

Continuous use of basal reading skills to further learning activities in content areas.

Additional Basal and supplementary readers

Further exploration of literacy heritage for enjoyment and for understanding of social heritage.

Library books

Extension of reading interests for entertainment and information according to personal inclination and need.

GRAMMATICAL USAGE

Continued attention to word order and form in speaking, reading, and writing; grammar as the organization of language (subject and predicate, form classes of noun and verb).

WRITING

Differences between the conventions of spoken and written English; relationship between intonation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language; conventions or customs of punctuation and capitalization.

Continued emphasis upon clear, concise, meaningful sentences for formal prose; upon a variety of sentences; upon placing in one paragraph all sentences about that paragraph topic; continued practice in writing reports, letters, descriptions, directions, definitions, reviews, and creative writings, including rhymes and poetry.

Language Textbook

Handwriting

Development of speed, legibility, and individuality in cursive writing; introduction of steps in formal programs for grade level; emphasis on improvement according to need as revealed by analysis of individual handwriting.

Better Handwriting for You, 5, Noble, 1973

Spelling

Representation of vowel and consonant phonemes in writing; application of spelling skills in all written work; attention to sequential spelling list, with emphasis on words needed for written communication; development of syllabication skills; use of dictionary to find most suitable meaning for a word.

Basic Spelling Goals, Book 5, Webster, 1968 Thorndike-Barnhart Junior Dictionary, Scott, 1968 Webster's Elementary Dictionary, American, 1968

LANGUAGE ARTS Grade Six LISTENING

Improved ability to adjust to varied audience situations, to organize while listening, to sift and to evaluate for a purpose; continued development of listening habits established in preceding grades; emphasis upon listening for differences in dialects, colloquialisms, regional characteristics, variations in voice and tone quality.

Sharing Ideas, Macmillan, 1969 Readers

SPEAKING

Continued development in oral expression through conversing, telling stories, reporting news, introductions, reviewing books, directing people, giving descriptions, explanations, and reading; reading poetry individually, and participating in choral reading.

Continued emphasis upon language usage (vocabulary, inflected forms, and agreement) of the current prestige or standard dialect; recognition of divergence within the prestige or standard dialect; language as a code, as a system of signals, as a social phenomenon; stress, pitch, and juncture.

Basal Reading

READING AND LITERATURE

Continuation and expansion of reading skills and activities introduced in previous grades; extension of reading activities through continued opportunities for use of basal reader and manual in sequential introductions; individual needs as recognized in learning situations; practice according to levels and needs as reflected in basal, work-study, and all types of independent reading; location of information through use of card catalog, encyclopedias, cross-indexes, and atlases; organization of reading content by making notes and outlines for various purposes, such as summarizing and reporting; reading to distinguish between relevant and irrelevant material in relation to considered topics; development of a conscious habit of vocabulary enrichment through attention to structure and meaning of words.

Seven Seas, Harper & Row, 1973 Cavalcade, Scott, Foresman, 1973 Adventures, Now and Then, 1973 American Book Company



Communicative Writing

Application of skills developed in basal reading to the peculiar demands of learning activities in all content areas.

Basal and supplementary readers

Continued exploration of literary heritage with emphasis on ability to secure meanings; interpret; recognize beauty; recognize aptness of expression; humor; clearness of thought.

Library books

Extension of reading interests to encourage reading for personal enjoyment and for information.

GRAMMATICAL USAGE

Continued attention to word order and form in speaking, reading, and writing; grammar as the organization of language; subject and predicate; the four form classes; function words.

Language Textbook

WRITING

Differences between the conventions of spoken and written English, relationship between intonation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language; conventions or customs of punctuation and capitalization.

Continued emphasis upon clear, concise, meaningful sentences for formal prose; apon sentence variety; recording information on a subject; organizing and writing reports; writing letters; composing news stories; preparing reports; writing summaries; taking notes and making outlines; writing poetry, and doing other forms of creative writing.

Handwriting

Development of improved cursive writing, with emphasis upon speed and legibility and attention to proper size, slant, shape, and spacing of letters as a habit in all writing; emphasis on individual charts in which children record corrections of errors, causes of errors, and activities in which to engage for improvement.

Better Handwriting for You, 6, Noble, 1973

Spelling

Representation of vowel and consonant phonemes in writing; continued study of the application of word form clues, phonetic analysis, and structural analysis; attention to increasing writing vocabulary through study of the list of words for grade level; attention to cause of errors and to principles involved in word study.

Basic Spelling Goals, Book 6, Webster, 1968 Thorndike-Barnhart Junior Dictionary, Scott, 1968 Webster's Elementary Dictionary, American, 1968

LANGUAGE ARTS Grade Seven LISTENING

Continued emphasis on good listening habits; purposeful listening, with thought as to the listener's response; listening for answer to a definite question; listening to a question with intent to answer; listening to form an opinion; listening to news; listening to an argument in order to answer it; accurate listening; critical listening; appreciative listening; listening to improve oral expression and to study spoken language.

Words and Ideas, Macmillan, 1969

SPEAKING

Direct study of the principles of effective speaking in situations that emphasize results, such as programs, dramatics, school public address system, radio, television; emphasis on diction and correct usage; attention to individual and choral reading; practice in conducting group meetings; emphasis on skills in articulation, pronunciation, vocal communication, and visible communication (posture, gesture, facial expression, movement).

Language Textbook

Continued emphasis upon language usage (vocabulary, inflected forms, and agreement) of the current prestige or standard dialect; recognition of divergence within the prestige or standard dialect; language as a code, as a system of signals, as a social phenomenon; stress, pitch, and juncture.

Basal Reading

READING AND LITERATURE Continuation and expansion of reading activities and skills introduced in previous years; further use of basal reader and manual to extend reading skills; emphasis on depth and breadth of comprehension; increased use of simple indexes, periodicals, and information file to locate information; use of study helps in books; growth in independent evaluation of reading needs; application of skills development to meet individual needs.

Discovery Through Reading, Ginn, 1970
High Trails, Allyn, 1970
New Horizons Through Reading,
Laidlaw, 1970
Parades, Lippincott, 1970
Reading, Book I, 1970

Improved ability to use reading skills in work-study situations; emphasis upon skills needed for particular study activities, with attention to developing (or improving upon) the skill in the context in which it is used; practice in selecting the particular skill needed and in deciding upon rate suited to reading task.

Continued exploration of literary heritage with opportunity to follow individual interests; emphasis on wide range of exploration, including exposition, narration, description in prose and poetry; experience in reading to improve literary tastes, to discover plot, to evaluate style of writing, to distinguish between literary forms; reading to enjoy the beauties of language, people, and places; growth in ability to interpret characterizations, and to gain understanding of self and others through identification with places, events, and characters.

Extension of range of interests to include reading in a number of areas; free reading centered around individual interests.

Basal and supplementary readers Library books

Prose and Poetry Journeys, Singer, 1969
Adventures for Readers, Book 1,
Harcourt, 1969
New Trails, Holt, 1969
Adventure Bound, Houghton, 1969
Wide, Wide World, Scott, 1969

GRAMMATICAL USAGE

Continued attention to word order and form in speaking, reading, and writing; grammar as the organization of language; subject and predicate; form classes; signals of word order, word form, and function words; sentence patterns.

Communicative Writing

WRITING

Differences between the conventions of spoken and written English; relationships between intonation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language; conventions or customs of punctuation and capitalization.

Emphasis upon answers to questions, note-taking, letters, reports, summaries, simple bibliographies, character sketches, narration which includes descriptive passages, announcements, news reports, verse; topic sentences in expository paragraphs, used in a variety of positions and developed by a variety of methods, with emphasis first on time-order.

Handwriting

Attention to individual and group work in neatness, legibility, speed, and form, in accordance with needs evidenced in all writing and with continuing attention to the slant, shape, and spacing of letters.

Better Handwriting for You, 7, Noble, 1973

Language Textbook

Spelling

Representation of vowel and consonant phonemes in writing; attention to correct spelling of all words used in writing; use of the dictionary; words and principles in spelling textbooks; special and individual needs as determined from all writing; individual attention to both written and oral vocabularies.

Basic Spelling Goals, Book 7, Webster, 1968 Thorndike-Barnhart Advanced Junior Dictionary, Scott, 1969 Webster's New Secondary School Pictionary, American, 1968 Webster's New World Dictionary, Macmillan, 1968

LANGUAGE ARTS Grade Eight LISTENING

Emphasis on listening to follow accurately the sequences of events to get main ideas, to interpret and connect ideas, to enjoy and recognize good descriptive writing and speaking, and to enjoy interesting details; attention to individual needs in the improvement of oral expression, such as correct pronunciation and use of new words in oral discourse; rhythm and flow of oral speech; development of power in the individual to listen to his own speech and to the speech of persons more proficient in speaking; correct use of mechanical aids, such as the wire and tape recorder; improvement in audience situations, with correct interpretation of listening responses needed in different situations.

Thought and Expression, Macmillan, 1969

SPEAKING

Further development of all types of oral expression previously named, with attention to social and personal needs of individual students; emphasis on the development of poise, personality, and a pleasing voice, including expression, enunciation, pronunciation, articulation, volume, pitch, tone, and rate; attention to organization for speech making and parliamentary procedure; use of a variety of words to avoid overworking a few words; avoidance of vague expressions and overstatements.

Basal Reading

READING AND LITERATURE

Continuation and expansion of reading skills and activities introduced in previous years; further use of basal reader and manual to extend reading skills; emphasis on individual needs, with attention to finding main ideas and supporting details in complex organizations of materials, using several methods of determining word meanings through context, observing descriptive words and phrases, separating fact from fancy, finding and using library reference materials; use of research techniques, such as note-taking, outlining, making and using bibliographies for oral and written reports; use of sources outside of school, such as the public library and museums; continued attention to individual evaluation of reading needs and reading interests.

Exploration Through Reading, Ginn, 1970 New Horizons Through Reading, Laidlaw, 1970 Panoramas, Scott, 1970 Reading, Book 2, American, 1970 Widening Views, Allyn, 1970

Extended Reading

Continued attention to the use of reading skills in work-study activities; emphasis upon skills needed in learning situations created in the social studies, science, mathematics, and other content areas, always with attention to improvement in selecting the reading skill or process most useful to the purpose in mind.

Continued attention to literary heritage, with emphasis on reading for self-understanding through such informational sources as biographies and other non-fiction about personal development, peoples, and places; understanding of poetry, folklore, myths, legends, and regional literature; understanding related to the American heritage as reflected in prose and poetry; attention to developing an ever-increasing range in reading habits.

Continued emphasis on independent reading in accordance with an ever-increasing range of interests; special attention to newspapers and magazines and other mass media.

Additional basal and supplementary readers
Library books

Prose and Poetry Adventures, Singer, 1969 Adventures for Readers, Book II, Harcourt, 1969 Wide Horizons, Holt, 1969 Journeys Into America, Houghton, 1969 All Around America, Scott, 1969

Spelling

WRITING, LANGUAGE, AND COMPO-SITION Representation of vowel and consonant phonemes in writing; continued emphasis on words and principles in spelling textbooks as the formal, sequential, or introductory program; attention to new words in content areas and to all words used in writing vocabulary; attention to the use of dictionaries.

Basic Spelling Goals, Book 8, Webster, 1968 Thorndike-Barnhart Advanced Junior Dictionary, Scott, 1969 Thorndike-Barnhart High School Dictionary, Scott, 1969 Webster's Students Dictionary, American, 1969

Writing

Differences between the conventions of spoken and written English; relationship between intonation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language; conventions or customs of punctuation and capitalization.

Language Textbook

Handwriting

Continued emphasis on neatness, legibility, speed, and form; individual and group work in accordance with needs evidenced in all writing, with attention to slant, size, shape, and spacing of letters.

Language

Continued emphasis upon language usage (vocabulary, inflected forms, and agreement) of the current prestige or standard dialect; recognition of divergence within the prestige or standard dialect; language as a code, as a system of signals, as a social phenomenon; stress, pitch, and juncture; grammar as the organization of language; subject and predicace; form classes; signals of word order, word form, and function words; sentence patterns.

Composition

Emphasis upon answers to questions, note-taking, letters, reports, summaries, bibliographies, personal narration, descriptive paragraphs, imaginative or emotional prose and poetry, differentiation between fact and opinion, character sketches with attention to motivation as well as character traits, expository paragraphs (including such logical development orders as enumeration, illustration, cause and effect, comparison and contrast), transition devices.



ENGLISH
1 and 2
Grade Nine
LISTENING

Extension of attention span; development of ability to listen to and follow instructions; practice in gaining information as well as enjoyment from radio, television, motion pictures, and recordings; development of habits of courteous attention in audience situations, informal and formal; practice in evaluating oral language skills of a speaker as an aid to self-evaluation.

SPEAKING

Practice in various types of oral expression, informal and formal, related to the study of literary selections and to life experiences, with emphasis on clear enunciation, correct usage, and vocabulary growth; discussion; oral interpretation; choral reading; dramatization; parliamentary procedure; preparing and delivering a speech to persuade and convince others.

The New American Speech, Revised, Lippincott, 1973

Basal Reading

Continued practice in basal reading skills with emphasis on the ability to attack new words, to use context clues, to locate answers to specific questions, to recognize the central idea, to follow logical thought development, to organize ideas, and to use reference materials.

Advanced Skills in Reading, 3, Macmillan, 1970

Library as a source

American, 1970

American, 1969

Macmillan, 1970

Extended Reading

READING AND LITERATURE Use of a variety of selections to develop appreciation for and enjoyment of literature, to acquire knowledge of the distinctive qualities of different literary forms and styles of writing, to become acquainted with figures of speech and special dialects, to enlarge vocabulary, and to extend knowledge of interest in human behavior.

Guidance in the development of a purposeful program of leisure reading in line with individual abilities and awakened interests.

Adventures in Reading, Harcourt, 1969

Modern Grammar and Composition, 1,

Thorndike-Barnhart Advanced Junior

American College Dictionary, Singer,

Webster's New World Dictionary,

Webster's Seventh New Collegiate Dictionary, American, 1970

Standard College Dictionary, Harcourt,

Webster's Students Dictionary,

Dictionary, Scott, 1969

Dictionary, Scott, 1969

Thorndike-Barnhart High School

Spelling

WRITING, LANGUAGE, AND COMPO-SITION Representation of vowel and consonant phonemes in writing; continued emphasis on all words used in writing; use of dictionary; analysis of individual spelling problems; application of spelling rules for problem words, especially plurals, possessives, compounds, and suffixes; attention to new words in content area; development of vocabulary.

Writing

Differences between the conventions of spoken and written English; relationship between intonation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language; punctuation as a signal of the structure of the written language; conventions or customs of punctuation and capitalization.

Handwriting

Continued emphasis on neatness and legibility, with attention to corrective exercise for individuals who evidence the need.

None

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1970

Language

Continued emphasis upon language usage (vocabulary, inflected forms, and agreement) of the current prestige or standard dialect; recognition of divergence within the prestige or standard dialect; language as a code, as a system of signals, as a social phenomenon; stress, pitch, and juncture; grammar as the organization of language; subject-predicate structure, the sentence complement, word order, sentence patterns; form, position, and function words as signals to identification of form classes; coordination and subordination; dictionaries as a source of history, grammar, and sound; the significance of the introductory sections of dictionaries.

Language Textbook and Dictionaries

Composition

Emphasis on answers to questions; note-taking; letters; reports; summaries; bibliographies; personal narration; descriptive paragraphs; expository paragraphs, including such logical development orders as enumeration, illustration, cause and effect, comparison and contrast; differentiation between fact and opinion and drawing inferences from facts; use of specific details to support abstractions; analysis of a specific aspect of a book; imaginative or emctional prose and poetry; character sketches, including delineation of character traits and attention to motivation; ways of achieving unity and coherence in compositions of three to five paragraphs.

ENGLISH
3 and 4
Grade Ten
LISTENING

Continued practice in attentive listening and remembering; recognition of musical qualities of language; development of sense of word power; and formation of judgments about what is heard.

SPEAKING

Practice in various types of oral expression appropriate to social and school activities, with emphasis on the distinction between levels of language and appropriate occasions for their use, vocabulary growth, accuracy in the choice of words and in enunciation and pronunciation, and conscious effort to detect and overcome careless speech habits; discussion; oral interpretation; choral reading; dramatization; parliamentary procedure; preparing and delivering a speech.

Speech for Today, Webster, 1973 Speech in Action, Scott, 1973

Basal Reading

Continued use of exercises to increase speed and comprehension; adjustment of speed and method to purpose and to type of material; increased independence in locating information and in taking notes; practice in oral reading and interpretation of selected passages.

Extended Reading

READING AND LITERATURE Use of a variety of selections to increase literary appreciation and knowledge of writers, to develop standards of appraisal of literature, to associate reading experiences with daily activities, to recognize parallels between characters in literature and real people, to grow in human understanding and in appreciation of ethical values.

Adventures in Appreciation, Harcourt, 1969

Individual and group guidance in the selection of material for leisure reading, with special attention to variety in levels and types to conform to maturity in reading, in skills, and in tastes.

Library as a source

WRITING, LANGUAGE, AND COMPO-SITION **Spelling**

Representation of vowel and consonant phonemes in writing; emphasis on principles involved in all words used in writing; dictionary use; continuation of analysis and drill on individual spelling difficulties; attention to improved vocabulary.

Modern Grammar and Composition 2, American, 1970 Dictionaries for Grade Nine

Writing

Differences between the conventions of spoken and written English; relationship between intonation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language; punctuation as a signal of the structure of the written language; conventions or customs of punctuation and capitalization; representation of stress in writing.

Language Textbook

Handwriting

Continued emphasis on neatness and legibility, with attention to corrective exercises for individuals who evidence the need.

None

Language

Continued emphasis upon language usage (vocabulary, inflected forms, and agreement) of the current prestige or standard dialect; recognition of divergence within the prestige or standard dialect; language as a code, as a system of signals, as a social phenomenon; stress, pitch, and juncture; grammar as the organization of language; subject-predicate structure, the sentence complement, word order, form classes, function words, coordination, subordination, verbals, complications of agreement, verb phrase structure, transformations; development and change in language; lexicography; semantics.

Language Textbook and Dictionaries

Composition

Emphasis upon description, narration, exposition, argumentation; subordination and coordination. parallel structure, balanced sentences, loose and periodic sentences; organizing and outlining ideas; news story, feature story, editorial, column.



ENGLISH
5 and 6
Grade Eleven
LISTENING

Continued practice in attentive listening to remember key ideas, to draw conclusions, and to share experiences with others; awareness of the importance of the choice of words and manner of speaking; recognition of the values and limitations of propaganda.

SPEAKING

Furtherance of experiences involving various types of oral expression related to study of literature and to life activities, with special attention to clarity in expression of ideas, to discrimination in choice of words, and to the development of poise in both formal and informal situations; discussion; oral interpretation; choral speaking; dramatization; parliamentary procedure; preparing and delivering a speech.

Modern Speech, Holt, 1973 Speech in Action, Revised, Scott, 1973

Basal Reading

Attention to increasing reading efficiency with emphasis on vocabulary expansion; use of research facilities and of footnotes, headnotes, and glossaries; interpretation of figurative language; and ability to follow sequence of events, to recognize cause and effect, and to form judgments.

Extended Reading

READING AND LITERATURE Survey of American literature with emphasis on ideals, problems, privileges, and responsibilities relating to American democracy; influences affecting patterns of cultural development; and particular types of literature which reflect American life and spirit.

Adventures in American Literature, Harcourt, 1969

Further development of interesting reading for entertainment and for information; discrimination in the selection of periodicals, as well as books; formation of the habit of keeping cumulative record of recreational reading for future reference or for sharing with friends.

Library as a source

Spelling

WRITING, LANGUAGE, AND COMPO-SITION Representation of vowel and consonant phonemes in writing; use of cumulative lists of individual word problems; formulation of a class list for intensive study; knowledge of basic word formation; application of spelling rules previously introduced; habitual use of dictionary.

Modern Grammar and Composition, 3, American, 1970 Dictionaries for Grade Nine

Writing

Differences between conventions of spoken and written English; relationship between intonation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language; relationship between syntax and punctuation; conventions or customs of punctuation and capitalization; representation of stress in writing.

Language Textbook

None

Handwriting

Emphasis on legible handwriting; remedial drills where need is evidenced.

Language

Continued emphasis upon language usage (vocabulary, inflected forms, and agreement) of the current prestige or standard dialect; recognition of divergence within the prestige or standard dialect; language as a code, as a system of signals, as a social phenomenon; stress, pitch, and juncture; grammar as the organization of language; the physical characteristics of the sentence, the basic sentence patterns, modifiers, coordination, subordination, apposition, form classes, absolute and introductory structures; development of the English language in America; dialects; semantics; lexicography; cultural levels and functional varieties of English.

Language Textbook and Dictionaries

Composition

Emphasis upon defining terms, providing supporting evidence, qualifying generalizations, relating knowledge of the structure of English to the problems of writing, loose and periodic sentences, unity and coherence in the paragraph, the précis, imaginative and emotional writing, the research process.

Language Textbook



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ENGLISH 7 and 8 Grade Twelve LISTENING

Added emphasis on purposeful, attentive listening to parallel growing maturity of thought; association of new ideas with everyday living; critical evaluation of what is heard; improved power of discrimination in the selection of motion pictures and programs on radio and television.

SPEAKING

Provision for oral expression related to the study of literature and language; adequate ability for meeting speech needs in social situations; efficiency in forms of expression for continued use, such as announcements, interviews, reports, explanations, parliamentary procedure, and literary interpretations; discussions; choral speaking; dramatization; preparing and delivering a speech.

The New American Speech, Lippincott, Modern Speech, Holt, 1973

Basal Reading

Refinement of skills needed for understanding content and interpreting author's purpose; application of reading-thinking skills in locating and organizing facts, in drawing conclusions, and in tracing and reorganizing ideas; recognition of the intricate patterns of development in the English language.

Extended Reading

READING AND LITERATURE

Survey of English literature with emphasis on familiarity with great works which constitute the priceless heritage of all Englishspeaking people; knowledge of the development of English literary types and the distinguishing style of individual authors; inherent ties between America and England as evidenced by history and literature; refinement of literary taste and appreciation; and recognition of the dignity and integrity of the individual as a contributing member of society.

Adventures in English Literature, Harcourt, 1969

Further development of interest in reading as a leisure activity; the extension of reading habit patterns to include a wide variety of material; acquaintance with aids to book selection, such as reviews and book lists; continuation of cumulative reading record.

Library as a source

Spelling

WRITING, LANGUAGE, AND COMPO-SITION

Representation of vowel and consonant phonemes in writing; concerted effort on overcoming careless habits; practice in analysis of new words; continued work on cumulative lists of individual problem words.

Resources for Modern Grammar and Composition, 4, American, 1970 Dictionaries for Grade Nine

Writing

Differences between conventions of spoken and written English; relationship between inconation in the spoken language and punctuation in the written language; relationship between syntax and punctuation; conventions or customs of punctuation and capitalization; representation of stress in writing.

Language Textbook

Handwriting

Emphasis on legible handwriting, with remedial drills where need None is evidenced.

Language

Continued emphasis upon language usage (vocabulary, inflected forms, and agreement) of the current prestige or standard dialect; recognition of divergence within the prestige or standard dialect; language as a code, as a system of signals, as a social phenomenon; grammar as the organization of language; the sounds, forms, and syntax of English; the history of English.

Language Textbook

Composition

Emphasis upon levels of generalization; tone through connotations; figurative language; conventions of sentence structure; effective use of modification, subordination, impersonal constructions, and balanced constructions; effective paragraphs; description, narration, exposition, argumentation; précis, research paper.



SPEECH

SPEECH 1
Grades Ten, Eleven, and Twelve
SPEECH
FUNDAMENTALS

Development of a desirable mental attitude toward a speaking situation; development of plans for a personal, definite program of speech improvement; improvement of habits of intelligent listening, careful observation, and logical thought; development of poise, personality, and self-confidence; improvement of voice and diction; increase of speaking vocabulary; practice in good posture and bodily control; practice in organizing and presenting ideas extemporaneously; adjustment to the speaking situation; development of imagination through story telling; increase in enjoyment and appreciation of literature.

New American Speech, Revised, Lippincott, 1973 Speech for Today, Webster, 1973

SPEECH 2 ORAL INTERPRE-TATION Enrichment of personality by reliving and communicating to others the meanings suggested by the printed page; participation in an aesthetic experience as a reader and as a listener; enrichment of emotional and imaginative powers; development of skill in projecting mood; acquaintance with a variety of persons through literature; development of good diction; enrichment of vocabulary; increase in ability to express feelings and ideas effectively; study of voice and bodily action; development of individual characterization.

New American Speech, Revised, Lippincott, 1973 Speech in Action, Revised, Scott, 1973

SPEECH 3 DRAMA Development of more mature emotional stability, a greater sense of responsibility in democratic group processes, and increased poise in self-expression; enjoyment of a wholesome recreational activity; development of poise in expressing ideas and feelings; practice in freedom and grace of movement; appreciation of the theater's arts and techniques and its influence upon civilization; increase in knowledge concerning the history of drama and its basic types, outstanding plays of the past and present, outstanding playwrights of the past and present, physical aspects of the theaters of the past and present, and outstanding actors and actresses of the past and present; understanding of the relation between the author's point of view and form in writing; the development of a flexible voice for dramatic interpretation; and production of a play.

Speech in Action, Revised, Scott, 1973

SPEECH 4
RADIO
AND
TELEVISION

Development of understanding of the progress of communication techniques and of the influence of radio and television upon personal and public life today; increase in knowledge of the personnel, organization, and equipment of local radio and television stations; evaluation of voice quality, enunciation, pronunciation, and vocabulary of self and others, resulting in plans for self-improvement; understanding of problems, techniques, and duties of the newscaster and the announcer and practice in the techniques of newscasting and announcing; understanding of the contribution of sound effects to radio and television programs and practice in producing sound effects; production of radio and television plays; study of vocational opportunities in radio and television.

The Art of Speaking, Ginn, 1973

SPEECH
5 and 6
DEBATE,
EXTEMPORANEOUS

Participation in speaking activities in order to develop standards of effective public speaking, to learn the value of a well-constructed outline which reflects main contentions and supporting details in the organization of a speech, to become familiar with the panel, the dialogue, the symposium, and the lecture; appreciation of the requirements of an appropriate subject and the continuity of the process of gathering material and choosing a subject; growth in understanding of the value of public discussion and practice in speaking extemporaneously, in making special occasion speeches, in conducting business interviews, and in delivering orations; personal improvement in voice quality, bodily action, diction, and vocabulary.

Modern Speech, Holt, 1973 Contest Debating, Wilson



SPEAKING AND ORIGINAL ORATORY Development of ability to state, analyze, and translate problems and their possible solutions into terms acceptable to a discerning audience; increase in ability to make effective responses in an organized assembly; participation in parliamentary and debating experiences to acquire confidence for present and later participation in social and economic affairs; practice in applying the techniques of research to resolve a question or attack a problem; practice in getting the facts before drawing a conclusion; practice in listening effectively to both sides of a proposition and weighing evidence before reaching a conclusion; practice in organizing a main speech around one or two major arguments and presenting the speech extemporaneously.

Selected Materials

JOURNALISM

JOURNALISM 1 and 2 Grade Twelve NEWSPAPER WRITING Development of specific skills in the production of a school paper; practice in newsgathering, newswriting, copy editing, headline writing, proofreading, and makeup; development of habits of careful observation and objective, unbiased writing; growth in ability to deal efficiently with the public; practice in effective methods of self-expression through writing for publication; growth in ability to appraise the influence of the free press as an instrument in a democratic society; analysis of the responsibility of the press to the public; increased understanding of the importance of staff organization and newspaper ethics; increased knowledge of the history of journalism, newspaper advertising, the function of the editorial, the feature story; practice in thoughtful, independent, intelligent reading of the newspaper; recognition of the value of the newspaper in keeping abreast of the news; consideration of journalism as a vocation.

Experience in Journalism, Lyons, 1966

